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This could be the last year that Kosher Food Bank clients will receive special Chanukah items unless donations increase.

Millennium Mural on display at the Soloway JCC

By Shellie Kimmel

Lisa Cogan, facilitator of the Ottawa Jewish Community Intergenerational Millennium Mural, recently announced that the mural is ready to be presented to the community at a vernissage on Thursday, December 13. The mural is one of three projects made possible through a grant from the Millennium Bureau of Canada.

Ten artists became involved in creating

this community project, each responsible for a different subject. "The preliminary meetings, in which we thrashed out the overview and direction of the mural, were a wonderful blend of the artists' visions, generational perspective and excitement towards a project," says Cogan. "It has been an amazing process." It was then decided that the mural would be composed of thirteen panels, as a

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Crisis at Kosher Food Bank

By Barry Fishman, editor

The Agudath Israel Kosher Food Bank is facing its worst crisis since it began operating out of Agudath Israel Synagogue nearly five years ago. If no new funding is found in the next five months, the food bank will be forced to cut back on what it is able to supply to the 60 families now using its services.

Sharon Nodelman, chair of the Agudath Israel Kosher Food Bank, says that with the downturn of the economy, "people who never knew poverty, such as high-tech workers, now know it."

Mark Zarecki, director Jewish Family Services (JFS), wishes that the Kosher Food Bank could take on more clients. He says, "In the last two months there has been a dramatic increase in need. The food bank definitely needs to expand not contract."

The food bank is run by volunteers from Agudath Israel and Temple Israel. Twice a month, they pack food for distribution to

their clients. A food package includes non-perishable kosher dry goods, frozen chicken and beef, personal hygiene products such as toothpaste or shampoo and a voucher for dairy products, fruits and vegetables. Every month, each client is given enough food for approximately five days. As well, the Kosher Food Bank tries to provide special foods to its clients for Rosh Hashanah and Chanukah.

Jerry Penso, the volunteer buyer for the Kosher Food Bank, says the donations are not coming in fast enough to cover what they are purchasing. "If this trend continues, we will soon run out of funds. It costs the food bank approximately \$3,000 a month to fulfil its mandate. Currently only \$1,100 to \$2,000 of donations in money and food are received."

At a recent emergency meeting of the Kosher Food Bank, members 'brainstormed' on what they could do to continue serving all the people. Some of the suggestions included eliminating the special holiday packages, cutting or eliminating food vouchers, or cutting back on some of the so called luxury items such as sugar, tea or coffee.

According to Nodelman, the major problems are "that people still believe there are no Jewish poor people" and "the misconception that the food bank is well funded." Although there are a large number of donors, who come from one segment of the community, most donations are in the \$10 range. By "getting out the word," Nodelman hopes to be able to avoid food cutbacks and attract more donors and volunteers willing to help.

Even though he is on sabbatical, Rabbi Arnold Fine of Agudath Israel thinks the situation is so serious, that he decided to make a special plea to the community. He told the OJB, "There is a tradition in Judaism that you must finish what you start. The food bank is

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From *A Hanukkah Treasury*
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Artist Debra Viner's contribution to the Millennium Mural is a painting of the old King Edward Avenue Shul. The 12-panel Millennium Mural is a visual record of Ottawa Jewish life and will be presented to the community on Thursday, December 13 at 7:30 pm at the Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building. The vernissage features the work of 10 Ottawa artists, each responsible for a different subject.

Millennium Mural on display at the Soloway JCC

(Continued from page 1) whole telling the story of the Ottawa Jewish community, yet each panel to be a piece unto itself.

When the panels are assembled, the mural is a wonderful compilation of style and colour, a window into the past and present of the Ottawa Jewish Community. From our biblical roots to the present day community campus, many different aspects of our life in Ottawa

are represented. The mural is our community's way of creating a visual record of Ottawa Jewish life. Cogan says that the mural "acknowledges, through art, some of the history, accomplishments and successes of our community."

The vernissage will be held in the Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private at 7:30 pm on Thursday, December 13. Everyone is

welcome to attend. The thirteen pieces of the mural will be displayed together for a few weeks.

If you are unable to attend the vernissage, you will have an opportunity to view the assembled mural after the thirteenth anytime you are in the building. Eventually individual pieces will be displayed in each of the campus buildings for everyone's enjoyment.

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Crisis at Kosher Food Bank

(Continued from page 1) an important priority in the community and it is incumbent on us to help the less fortunate, especially with so many people now being laid off."

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To donate to the Kosher Food Bank call Agudath Israel (728-3501). A tax receipt will be provided and a card will be sent in your name. If you wish to volunteer, contact Sharon Nodelman (230-4116) or e-mail her (alnod@sympatico.ca).



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As we enter the month of Kislev, and Chanukah approaches, the theme of miracles is a strong one. At this time in our history, it seems that only a miracle of mammoth

proportions could resolve all the conflicts in the world. Whether in Israel or elsewhere in the world, some kind of intervention would be of great comfort.

It is important to realize, however, that many dedicated men and women in our community create small miracles every day.

UJA is close to wrapping up the 2002 campaign, and the response to the needs of the Ottawa, Israel and overseas communities has been commendable. To date the campaign is up significantly over last year, putting us well on our

way to the \$3.5 million goal. This could not be achieved without the dedication and hard work of a small army of volunteers, busy people who make time to help better the lives of others. Some people have signed on for the first time while others are veterans of a number of campaigns. Either way, they are making a difference.

There's the stay-at-home mother who takes advantage of her child being in preschool to complete a few cards for women's division. There's the president of a local corporation who heads a division of his peers and is ready, willing and able to assist whenever needed. There are those who come out to work the phones whenever asked. The list is extensive, and perhaps your name is on it. If this is the case, please know that your help is greatly appreciated.

More help can always be used. More miracles can always be performed. As we endeavour to complete the 2002 campaign, take the time to ensure that you have made your pledge. Perhaps you would also like to consider encouraging others to make theirs. A gift to UJA can help so many.

Volunteer profile: Gail Lieff

What do you find most challenging about volunteering?



Trying to get other people to come out and volunteer and to make it an enjoyable experience for all who volunteer.

When have you most felt that you make a difference?

After going on the Young Leadership Mission (Yachad) to Lithuania, Belarus and Israel it was a chance to personally experience the satisfaction that has resulted in the good work that the UJA has done.

Which living person do you most admire?

My parents who have volunteered for a variety of charities and organizations. Since I was young, they have both shown me the meaning of the words mitzvah and tzedaka.

If you could live your life over, what would you do differently?

Nobody can relive their life, but the one thing I would like to do is move forward in my life and try to make a difference in other lives by being a positive role model.

The bottom line

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Devorah Caytak, Co-director, Jewish Youth Library

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Guy, age 3 1/2, Jewish Preschool of the Arts

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Do you have a photograph of someone the UJA has helped either directly or indirectly? Please e-mail it to skimmel@jccottawa.com, or drop it off at the UJA office.

Hundreds turn out to celebrate Rabbi Bulka's Scout award

By Barry Fishman, editor

The Ottawa Jewish community was out in full force to honour Rabbi Reuven Bulka on October 24 at Scouts Canada National office. The Rabbi was the inaugural recipient of Scout's Canada "National Salute Award." The award honours community and business leaders who best exemplify scouting's emphasis of character and leadership.

Rabbi Bulka is being honoured for his commitment to the Ottawa community. The rabbi's volunteer work includes being a board member on a number of charitable organizations, being a visible participant at many charitable events and a dedicated blood donor who has given the gift of life over 150 times. As well, he is an

accomplished author of 32 books and the regular host of radio and television shows in Ottawa.

The Right Honourable Ramon Hnatyshyn, MC of the event and "the rabbi's number one fan" told the audience of over 350, "how delighted he was to be here to participate in the honours being bestowed on his friend," David Rattray, chair of the Canada Scout Foundation called Rabbi Bulka "an inspiration to Canadian youth."

Russ Mills, publisher of the *Ottawa Citizen* marveled at how many charities and organizations Rabbi Bulka is involved in and pointed out that, like the scout motto, "do a good turn daily" the rabbi is constantly doing good deeds. "He stands for the highest

ideals of scouting by showing us the best we are capable of being," says Mills.

Rabbi Bulka dedicated the award and evening to his late wife Naomi. Despite her illness, she was enthusiastic when she heard that he was to be the first to receive Scouts Canada National Award. She had, the rabbi says, "the good sense to know what Scouts means to our society."

He told the audience that when he was growing up 'scout's honour' meant always telling the truth. The scout movement he says, "gets us to do good things and teaches kindness." In these troubled times, "we can all be scouts by helping each other and looking out for individuals who need our help." For Rabbi Bulka, the



Rabbi Reuven Bulka with the Rt. Hon. Ramon Hnatyshyn (left) and National Scout Commissioner Sam Elsworth.

Scouts "stand for the unique values we all cherish."

The rabbi was pleased with the large turnout and says "It was great to see and talk to so many people from the community" and to be

able to help the scouts. Ticket sales to the event were so successful that the Right Honourable Ramon Hnatyshyn joked that "we will have to give you the award every year to raise this kind of money."

Family support group initiated

A number of individuals in the community who have a family member with a mental illness have expressed interest in meeting together to provide mutual support and advocacy. Topics could in-

clude issues such as day programming, housing etc.

Should you be interested, please contact Jewish Family Services (722-2225) and leave your first name and phone number. You will

receive a call shortly with respect to potential meeting dates.

While the JFS has agreed to assist in gathering names, the group will be self-directed.

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Canadian solidarity mission to Israel a learning experience



VAAD Report

Gerald Levitz
President, Vaad Ha'Ir

From October 22nd to October 25th, together with Chuck Merovitz, our current UJA Campaign Chair and twelve other wonderful, committed people from Toronto and Montreal, we were in Israel on a national Canadian Solidarity Mission.

Shortly after our arrival on our safe El Al flight, an immigration official briefed us. Notwithstanding the current political and economic climate, somewhere between 1,000 and 2,000 new immigrants a month continue to arrive, mostly from the former Soviet Union (FSU) and Ethiopia. Clearly the country continues to follow one of its original mandates, to be a home for any Jew in the world who needs one.

Our first stop in Tel Aviv was a painful one. We left candles and placed a wreath outside the Dolphinarium where a terrorist (by any definition, Mr. Manley) brought to a tragic end in a brutal manner the life of 21 Israeli (mostly Russian immigrant) teenagers. Six of these children were students at the Shevach Motet School, one of the best high schools in the city. Later at the school we met with staff members and five honour students originally from the FSU. Although the students were stoic and sorrowful at the loss of their fellow students, and grieved about the current situation where both Israeli and Palestinian families have lost loved ones, they were still committed to becoming fully integrated Israelis, prepared to be in the army and defend their country.

It was still just noon on our first day when we visited Inde-

pendence Hall, a museum dedicated to the history of Tel Aviv and the place setting for David Ben Gurion's declaration of the creation of the State of Israel. While I had been here before, I was still emotionally moved to be in the actual room where it all took place.

Lunch was with Ruth Bar On (Israeli Crisis Management Centre), and a woman who had suffered a family loss in a terrorist attack. Ruth had visited Ottawa recently, and I was aware from her address to the community of the incredible social and physiological support required for families faced with the sudden loss of a parent, a child, a sibling or other close family member.

On our way to Jerusalem, we visited the Zion Absorption Centre where we were briefed on the current status and history of Ethiopian aliyah and together with some children at the centre, packed parcels that we delivered to members of a police bomb disposal unit. I do not know if Ethiopian Jews were one of the lost tribes, but I do know that their immigration to Israel was truly part of "the ingathering of exiles" and one of the most beautiful chapters of Israel history (that is ongoing).

Early morning, day two began with a breakfast and talk with Knesset member Colette Avital. Her views included the hope for continued negotiations with the Palestinian Authority but with a demand for a cessation of violence.

Then, to Gilo to meet residents who are under direct rifle fire from nearby Arab villages. Next a visit to a bomb disposal unit located in the old city to meet young police professionals who matter of factly accepted the challenges of their task in the front lines of the fight against terrorism.

Lunch was with Itamar Marcus from the Palestinian Media Watch. My suspicions were confirmed that the Arab media continue to carry on a vile anti-Israel, anti-Zionist campaign, with a clear anti-Semitic theme against Jews worldwide and the State of Israel, whose very existence

they continue to attack.

After a tour of the green line, we had a briefing by IDF Lt. Col. Erez Viner, currently commanding a unit confronting the Intifada. He told us of the difficulty of trying to maintain security in the territories. Once again, we met a man committed to defending his country and its citizens wherever they lived.

There were two major events to end the day. A briefing by Prime Minister Ariel Sharon at about 8:00 p.m., which was clearly not the end of his day's work. Politics and methods aside, this man was clearly worthy of his position and I felt we were in good hands. We ended the day with dinner with parents of Benny Abraham, an IDF soldier kidnapped by Hezbollah with U.N. troops videotaping the event. Their struggle for information about their son and their hope for his survival was inspiring and heart rendering.

Our last day started with breakfast with Dan Diker and Dan Bitan. While they could not have differed more dramatically on their views of how Israel should proceed to a possible peace, what remarkable intellectual depth and what incredible love for their country.

Our morning included a visit to Mt. Herzle. It was most moving to see the resting place of Yitzhak Rabin and his wife Leah. Then came a visit to a JAFI program which provided arts and crafts workshops for the needy elderly who produce beautiful Judaica for sale.

Lunch was with a panel of local and foreign journalists and an IDF media spokesmen gave us an insight to the foreign press' apparent anti-Israel view, more remarkable because some of the prominent foreign media people are Jewish.

The afternoon included a panel discussion with a hotel manager, a tourist guide, a travel agent, a restaurant owner and a merchant, who told us of the near total devastation of the tourist industry in the past year. Again brave people somehow soldiering on in the face of adversity.

Our final activity for the afternoon was a visit to the Kotel where my prayers included hope for peace and security for the country that makes the lives of all Jews worldwide more meaningful.

Israel needs our support. Please visit this magnificent country, support our local Jewish institutions and the needs of our community, and be Jewish every day. Together we will prevail.

By the time this column is in print, I will have attended the General Assembly of North American Jewish Communities in Washington, D.C. These two adventures into the Jewish world outside our city will have further strengthened my resolve to be a part of enhancing and growing our own vibrant Jewish community in the future.

A happy Chanukah to all.

Celebrating Chanukah during these days of darkness

This is the darkest season of the year. The days are the shortest and the nights are the longest. This year darkness seems to be the predominate metaphor used to describe the mood of the Jewish community. Events in Israel seem bereft of light or warmth. In fact, events throughout the world seem unusually "dark" this year.

Perhaps that is why this year the holiday of Chanukah can be so powerful. The deepest meaning of Chanukah lies in its affirmation of the freedom to be different, to maintain our distinctive religious practices even though we are a small minority in the Canadian mosaic. Chanukah commemorates those who proclaimed their own special identity and destiny, which they were unwilling to give up even at the cost of their lives, much less the comfort of being different. They knew who they were. The question might be asked if we know who we are?

Often at this time there is confusion over bright lights and holiday glitz. This season, as in years past, many families have to confront the dilemma of how to deal with the surrounding society's emphasis on a rather different holiday. Lights and gifts and even music serve very different purposes for our Christian neighbours, but their overwhelming presence can still pose difficulties for even the most committed Jewish family.

The following letter was written by a Christian to a Jew who had a Christmas tree in their home. I share it with you, not because I am concerned that members of our community choose to decorate Christmas trees at home, but rather because it is a powerful reminder of the true meaning of Chanukah celebration.



From the pulpit

Rabbi Steven Garten
Temple Israel

"You showed me the Christmas tree you placed in your home. You thought I would be flattered and pleased, but I am neither. To me, a Christian, the tree is the symbol of my most sacred religious holiday. It has become the mark of our Christianity.

"I ask myself what meaning this tree could have for you. It cannot be a Christian religious symbol, since you have often told me that as a Jew you do not accept Christ. For you then it must be a pretty decoration. How can I not be insulted when you treat my religious symbol with such disrespect?

"But most of all, I'm sorry for you. Sorry that the customs, songs, the story of your tradition, so wonderfully exciting are not engrained in your family life. I am sorry that all that has been preserved for two thousand years may be foreign to you."

Chanukah is that very special moment when the lights of our tradition burn brightly against the darkness of nature, despair and assimilation. This year especially, may our homes and windows radiate with candles of commitment and songs of solidarity.

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Editor

Barry Fishman



Although it happened nearly five years ago, Rhoda Blevis still remembers her first food delivery for the Agudath Israel Kosher Food Bank. "It was to a family with three little kids living in a one bedroom apartment with mattresses on the floor and a bridge table as the only furniture." Poverty, she says, "is not a laughing matter."

Unfortunately, as reported on page one of the *OJB*, the food bank is seeing a new type of clientele – high tech workers where both breadwinners have lost their job. They have, according to Sharon Nodelman, chair of the Agudath Israel Kosher Food Bank, "no idea what it is like to be poor."

The figures are staggering. Jewish Family Services (JFS) reports that in the last month the number of people applying for assistance has doubled. At a time when it should be trying

The Kosher Food Bank needs your help

to help even more people in the community, the Agudath Israel Kosher Food Bank is facing, for the first time in its five years of existence, a financial crisis.

Forget about expanding. To maintain just the same level of service, the food bank needs \$3,000 a month. They are receiving \$1,100 to \$2,000 a month in donations of food and money. If this trend continues, the food bank will have to make drastic changes.

If we do not support the Kosher Food Bank, the following will happen. The hardworking volunteers from Agudath Israel and Temple Israel will be forced to give their clients less. Among other things, that could mean no vouchers for dairy, fresh fruits and vegetables, cutting back on such so-called luxury items as coffee, tea or sugar, or no longer supplying special holiday packages. If things do not improve soon, this will be the last year for the little extras in the Chanukah package, such as applesauce, a potato latke mix, and dreidels and chocolate gelt for the kids. Think about that as you enjoy your latkes and presents this year.

At a recent committee meeting of the Agudath Israel

Kosher Food Bank it was decided that before doing anything drastic they would see what the community reaction would be from the *OJB* articles.

Let's not disappoint them. Here is how you can help. On a regular basis, drop off non-perishable kosher dry goods and personal hygiene products at the food bins in the SJCC, any synagogue in town, or any of the Jewish schools. Make a tax-deductible donation by calling Agudath Israel (728-3501). Help the food bank any way you can by calling Sharon Nodelman (230-4116); e-mail (alnod@sympatico.ca). If you have experience or are interested in fundraising, the committee could especially use your help.

One more thing. In the near future, I plan to write an article celebrating and congratulating the community for once more coming through in a time of need. I envision an article describing how the Kosher Food Bank is again on solid ground because of the generosity of the community. I need your help to write the story. Please donate to the Agudath Israel Food Bank.

Happy Chanukah from the staff of the *OJB*.

Community Media Relations committee meets with CFRA

By Jonathan Calof

Over the past six months, concerns were raised by many in the community about Michael Harris's afternoon talk show. As a result of a significant number of complaints, the media relations committee under-

took to listen to this show over an extended period of time, documenting comments made by Michael Harris both negative and positive towards Israel; his treatment of callers supportive of Israel; and his treatment of callers supportive

of the Palestinians.

Based on this analysis, the committee identified what was felt to be a clear bias towards a position that Israel's treatment of the Palestinians was the principle cause of problems in the Middle East and Michael

Harris tended to suppress or belittle opposing views. In the committee's opinion, this had the potential to incite anti-Semitic feelings in the Ottawa area and at a minimum was providing a distorted view of the actual events occurring in Israel. With these concerns in mind, a letter was sent to CFRA requesting a meeting with station management to address the situation.

Within less than one week of the letter being sent out, CFRA responded and suggested a quick meeting date to discuss the issue. On Wednesday, November 7, a meeting took place between CFRA and representatives from both the Vaad and Canadian Jewish Congress. In attendance from CFRA was Mark Maheu, general manager, Dave Mitchell, program director, and Steve Winograd, news director. The community was represented by Mitchell Bellman, Vaad executive director, Rebecca Holzman, director of Community Relations, Jonathan Calof and Gil Vered (co-chairs Media

Relations Committee) and Rubin Friedman, national director of communications, Canadian Jewish Congress. The community representatives outlined their concerns, providing background material supporting the complaints. CFRA provided needed background to this group regarding the role, responsibility and discretion that an on-air host is allowed, according to the Canadian Association of Broadcasting guidelines.

The community representatives and CFRA management agreed that the media has the right and responsibility to report on issues of importance to Canadians but that reporting and opinions expressed by on-air hosts, must be based on fact and incitement must be avoided. Accordingly, it was suggested that a dialogue be opened between CFRA and the community in which information pertaining to a more accurate portrayal of the Middle East could be sent to Michael

MAILBAG

Simon Wiesenthal Center seeks information

Dear Editor,

The Simon Wiesenthal Center is currently working on a project examining the different forms of resistance during World War Two and the Holocaust. To this end, we are attempting to locate people who either worked with or were saved by Dr. Perl, a prominent figure in the Resistance movement in Austria during the 1930s.

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Chanukah celebration on Parliament Hill

By Jason Muscat

As Chanukah draws quickly upon us, we as 21st century Jews cannot help but draw strength from the stories of the triumphant Macabees, and the lessons associated with their physical and spiritual victory. Of these lessons, perhaps the one that rings truest in our conscience is the need for continuity within the Jewish people. Through unity there is resolve, and history has shown that when the Jewish people are resolved, there is

nothing they cannot accomplish.

While the need for unity is not unique to Jews, what sets the Jewish experience apart from others is that for the Jew, this common resolve is embedded in cultural practice, rather than political action. It is in our dance, our art, our ritual and our song.

On December 10th, at 12:00 PM sharp, Peace Tower Dominion Carillonneur Gordon Slater will be devoting his entire daily concert to the performance of tradition-

al Chanukah tunes. All present on Parliament Hill will be able to hear Chanukah songs chiming from the Peace Tower, in celebration of the first day of Chanukah. When the bells of the Canadian Peace Tower play that day, their voices will sing our song, commemorating the physical and spiritual endurance of the Jewish people.

Please join us on Parliament Hill, on December 10th, at noon, so that we may welcome the coming of Chanukah together.



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Remembering Chanukah then and now

By Anne Novack

It was Chanukah. I was a small child seated on a cushion placed on a window seat. The walls of the house were at least eighteen inches deep, hence the window seat. I could look outside, past the metal bars on the outside of the window. All the surfaces were white with snow, and a gentle snow was falling. No doubt the metal bars were designed to keep out the "bad people" in a pogrom, as were the solid metal shutters inside windows. I was separated from the inside room by a transparent curtain, therefore I could look into the room beyond.

My siblings (two brothers and a sister, all older than me) were playing with a dreidel. I couldn't play because I was too young to know how to read. There was a menorah on the table. The candles had all burned out and my mother had given the warm wax to me so that I could play with it. I fashioned different coloured objects with the wax. My mother entered the room carrying a large plate of latkes (potato pancakes). Her face was flushed from bending over a hot stove to fry the latkes after grating the potatoes by hand.

Many years have passed. My family immigrated to Canada shortly after that long-ago Chanukah. I have

resided in Canada ever since that time, but I now spend winter in Florida. I am now a senior citizen.

Our family always celebrates Chanukah, but not in the same way that my parents did many years ago in Europe. In recent years the celebration has taken place in Florida.

First, the menorah is placed on a small table in front of a window and the Chanukah prayer is recited. Outside the window one can see palm trees and other menorahs in Jewish homes where they were also placed in front of the window. There are no bars on the windows or any solid metal shutters inside windows. Pogroms belong to another time and place.

The menorah has eight candles plus one candle called "the Shamas", which either stands in front of the other candles or is raised above them. The Shamas is the first candle to be lit and is used to light the other candles. As many people as possible light the candles, therefore the Shamas is passed from hand to hand until the last day of Chanukah when all the candles are lit.

I always serve a special Chanukah dinner and latkes must be part of the menu. However, instead of grating them by hand, I prepare them with the aid of my



Illustrated by Anne Novack

food processor and I fry them on my electric frying pan. Each child is provided with a dreidel and after dinner the children play with it.

The dreidel is a game of chance, but instead of gambling with their Chanukah gelt (money) as in the "olden" days I now provide them with chocolate pennies. Instead of Chanukah

gelt, we (my husband and I)

give each grandchild a special Chanukah gift.

Chanukah is an important Jewish festival, which is always celebrated in our home, although somewhat differently than the "old" way. It is my fervent hope that it will continue to be observed for many years to come.



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CIC executive director accepts new position in Newfoundland

By Diane Koven

Canada's newly named province of Newfoundland and Labrador will soon be the new home of Rob and Shari Ritter as they set off on a new adventure.

In his "Bar Mitzvah Year" as executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee (CIC), Rob has decided to change course in his career and has accepted a position as executive director of the Newfoundland and Labrador Medical Association. A background in health policy, combined with the desire to make a major lifestyle change, convinced him that the offer was too good to refuse. "Health care is going to be an important and dominant issue for Canada well into the decade ahead," he said. "I am enthusiastic about the opportunity to play an active role in addressing the coming challenges."

A visit to Newfoundland several years ago planted the seed for the move. "Shari and I were truly



Shari and Rob Ritter

seduced by the land and by the people, both of which are remarkable ... and the opportunity to experience this new cultural adventure is tremendously exciting to us," said Rob.

The excitement is tinged with regret at leaving the city and community the

Ritters have grown to love. "This community has been really important to us and we have loved living here," said Rob. "We have made lots of friends and this is a bittersweet departure for us."

During his time with the CIC, Rob earned the

respect of colleagues, politicians, and several ambassadors of Israel with whom he worked. "The State of Israel is indebted to Robert Ritter for the immense contribution he has made towards furthering Canada-Israel relations," said Ambassador Haim Divon. "During his tenure as executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee, many goals – such as the drafting and implementation of the Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement, enhancing relations with the Canadian government and elected officials, arranging numerous parliamentary exchanges, and improving Israel's image with the media – were achieved. His presence in Ottawa will be sorely missed both by Israelis and Canadians that have worked with him."

Shari, a nurse, has been a case manager at Community Care Access Centre (Home Care) for the past 16 years. Prior to that, she

was a supervisor at the Royal Ottawa Hospital and was a project coordinator for the local needle exchange program. She has been active in a wide variety of community activities and causes over the years, including acting as liaison for the community with the Hate Crimes Unit of the Ottawa Police; chair of the Sir Robert Borden High School Council; chair of the Trillium Foundation for Eastern Ontario; and has recently been appointed by Mayor Chiarelli to the Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee for the city of Ottawa.

"Not having any family here," said Shari, "we really grew to treasure all of our friends, who really were our family in Ottawa." She sees a kind of symmetry to the move they are about to make. "When we started Beth Shalom West," she said, "there were 25 families, and now we are going to a community where there are 25 Jewish families."

While looking forward to making new friends, Shari and Rob will not forget their Ottawa friends. "We really hope that friends and members of the community do come to visit us," they said. "We will always be welcome."

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Lynda Greenberg to spend six months helping Jews of Morocco

By Francine Greenspoon

When she entered the small Shibl (prayer house) in Tarnow, Poland in 1989, she was awed by what she saw – a tiny, intimate two-room synagogue with laundry hanging in one room and Torahs visible in the other. An elderly man and his wife, the only Jews living in a town that once had 20,000 – the other Jews having been lined up and shot during the Second World War – were there to greet the mission. Miraculously this couple survived, choosing to stay in Tarnow with hopes of ensuring the survival of their synagogue and Jewish way of life. The starkness and enormity of their plight was overwhelming.

It was one of life's defining moments for Lynda Greenberg, in a life that has had many.

Greenberg has travelled on numerous missions both prior to and following the one to Poland, each providing equally inspiring and memorable experiences. Each mission she participated in had a "European component," that took participants to remote communities where remnant populations of Jews lived. They were shown how monies raised went to the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), which would in turn assist these communities in numerous ways and help link them to the greater Jewish communities of the world.

For Greenberg, these cumulative enriching experiences helped foster a deep-



Lynda and Lawrence Greenberg

rooted desire to one day work with the elderly in one of these remote Jewish communities and help make a difference in their lives.

Six months ago, nearly one and a half years after surviving a tragic car accident that claimed the life of her husband, Lawrence, and five years after being diagnosed with, and surviving breast cancer, Greenberg decided it was time to pursue this dream. She refers to it as: "a convergence of circumstances." "My husband was gone and my daughter had left for university. There was nothing to hold me back and I knew that nobody was going to hand me this opportunity. I was going to have to pursue it."

In June, she contacted the JDC in New York about applying for a position to work with a remnant community. They indicated that they needed a French-speaking public health nurse to work in a Jewish community in Morocco. Greenberg set out to convince them that what they really needed was her – someone passionate and empathetic to elderly

Jews, with a strong Jewish identity and sense of community; someone who desperately wanted to make a difference. To her amazement, her passion and tenacity paid off and the JDC approved her application.

After months of brushing up on her French and volunteering daily at The Joseph and Inez Zelikovitz Long Term Care Centre, Lynda Greenberg is ready to embark on a mission of her own. On December 17 she will board a plane destined for Casablanca, Morocco, where a population of 4,000 Jews awaits her and where she'll spend six months working with the elderly in Casablanca.

She looks forward to this unparalleled experience with both trepidation and excitement. Greenberg expects that it will take her about a month to get comfortable with the culture and the people and to understand how she might best help this community.

"As a single, blonde, Jewish woman living amongst a Muslim Moroccan population," she says, "it will be in

my best interests to keep a low profile."

She also recognizes that there will be much to learn and overcome. One thousand of the 4,000 Jews in this Moroccan community are elderly and there is currently just one home that accommodates approximately 100 residents. The state provides limited homecare services to other elderly which covers basic feeding, cleaning and clothing requirements. Better programs and services are desperately needed.

The demographic of the community spans the full range and Greenberg will utilize the assistance of an interpreter to communicate with

these French- and Arabic-speaking people. Her ultimate goal is to be able to project what these people need down the road. "I would like to enhance their quality of life and in doing so give them a sense of community," she says.

Over the last 10 years, Greenberg has ventured many places both geographically and personally. The curves that life has thrown her way have only served to strengthen her resolve to follow this dream. She's convinced that the current political world climate will make it much worse for remnant communities and that now, more than ever, they need

help.

When asked if she's worried about the precarious world situation as she is about to venture forth she says, "What do I have to fear in my life now? In fact, if anything, I have a renewed appreciation of everything and feel privileged for this opportunity to give something back!"

As Lynda Greenberg embarks on what will undoubtedly be another life-altering experience, she admits, "I would always regret it if I didn't do this, and who knows, it might open a door that leads to a whole new direction for me in my life."

Lawrence Greenberg award supports the development of young leaders

By Francine Greenspoon

Lynda Greenberg wanted to honour the memory of her late husband, Lawrence by finding something that would truly represent an abiding interest of his. Lawrence Greenberg was immensely committed to community and a champion of nurturing young leadership within Ottawa's Jewish community.

Every year an Ottawa under the age of 40 is selected for the Freiman Family Young Leadership Award. The cost for families or individuals to attend the GA can be prohibitive. To honour the memory of her husband, Lynda Greenberg felt it fitting that she start a fund that would help send our community's Freiman Family Young Leadership Award winner each year to the GA.

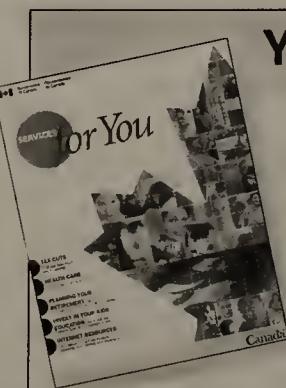
During the many years he worked with Ottawa's Vaad Ha'Ir, he attended several General Assembly (GA) meetings of the United Jewish Communities, which are held in different locations throughout North America. At each GA, young leadership awardees from communities all over North America

are recognized and feted at a luncheon in their honour. Each GA that Lawrence had the pleasure of attending served to bolster his enthusiasm and commitment to his community.

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Lynda Greenberg, with friends and family, has established The Lawrence Greenberg Young Leadership Development Award as an endowment fund in the Jewish Community of Ottawa Development Foundation. The interest from the endowment fund will go towards paying to send the Freiman Family Award winner to attend the annual General Assembly meeting.

"What a wonderful opportunity this new leadership award provides our young leaders," says Gerald Levitz, president of Ottawa's Vaad Ha'Ir. "Being able to attend the annual GA will provide our young leaders with a truly inspirational experience that will show them the scope of how our community works and just what it has to offer."



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Sarah Swedler's second home

Sarah Swedler volunteers at the Lodge's Sobcov Café two or three times a week. She really enjoys the interaction with the residents, volunteers, staff, and visitors who come for a "nosh," a meal, or just a visit.

Her support comes in the form of both time and concern over funding. At the Café there is a Tzedaka box which people affectionately call "Sarah's Charity Box." It is placed strategically near the cash register. This little box has received \$400 to date which is used towards making the life of the residents a little better.

"How proud and happy I am every time I come through the doors of the Lodge. As the past president of the Auxiliary and now as a



Sarah Swedler

volunteer, I feel such a wonderful sense of belonging. The greetings I get both from the residents and staff, hearing the piano dedicated in memory of our beloved daughter Ina, seeing the beautiful gift shop, I always feel a sense of achievement and hope for the elderly. The overwhelming satisfaction one derives from being at Hillel Lodge cannot be

described. It is such a mitzvah, especially when you greet a resident and their face lights up when they see you and talk with you. Hillel Lodge is truly a family for all who reside there, from the caring staff, to all the many volunteers or visitors, you feel the warmth upon entering."

All my grandchildren have seen the Lodge and enjoy the beautiful, open Café, the music and especially the Gift Shop. I mentioned to them that one day they may have to come and visit Bubble here, as young people and family mean so much to the residents. My oldest grandson, Jared, from New York, said, "don't worry Bubble, I promise to visit and push you in the wheelchair."

Jewish War Veterans announce 2001 scholarship winners

At the annual meeting of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada-Ottawa Post, Ruth Aron, chair of the Scholarship Committee, presented the 2001 awards to Sir Robert Borden graduates Dina Kulik and Lisa Torjman. The award is given to two students who have excelled academically and in their volunteer work.

The guest speaker for the evening was Shimon Fogel of the Canada Israel Committee's Political



Scholarship winners Dina Kulik (left) and Lisa Torjman

East."

Morton Taller was elected as Post Commander.

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Backgrounder to recent events in Israel

In recent weeks, following the tragic assassination of Tourism Minister Rachavam Ze'evy, which constituted an extreme and unprecedented escalation in terrorist activities against Israel, its citizens and leadership, Israel has been forced to enter into Palestinian-controlled territories. Israel reiterates that it has no interest in 'recapturing' Palestinian-controlled areas and that it has no intention of remaining in these areas. Israel entered these areas with the sole purpose of taking action in self-defence against terrorism. This action was made necessary due to the PA's failure to fulfil its fundamental commitments even in those areas under its direct control.

The Israeli entry into Area A prevented imminent terrorist bombings, and facilitated the arrest of dozens of terrorists, including suicide bombers who were about to carry out atrocities. If the Palestinian Authority had fulfilled its commitments, in accordance with agreements that Arafat signed, and had complied with the Mitchell Report outline and the Tenet report, there would have been no need for Israel to re-enter PA-controlled areas. The Palestinians have been vociferously protesting the entry into Area A, when in fact they have only themselves to blame.

Early in November, Israel withdrew from the town of Ramallah. The Israeli pullout from Ramallah constitutes an additional phase in the withdrawal from Palestinian towns, following the recent pullout of Israeli units from Hebron, Bethlehem, Kalkilia and Jericho. The presence of these units in the Palestinian towns was necessitated by the need to take defensive action against the Palestinian terrorism threat.

The withdrawal was carried out in conjunction with the transfer of responsibility for security matters to local Palestinian Authority [PA commanders] and under the condition that the PA act to maintain security calm on the ground. Israel also insists that the PA take effective counter-terrorist action by arresting terrorists and preventing terrorist attacks.

The PA leadership, and particularly Chairman Arafat, must understand that it's failure to take active responsibility for the prevention of terrorism, including the arrest of terrorists and the ending of incitement, enables terrorism to spread. In such a situation, Israel is left with no other choice but to take action in self-defence, as it has done in the recent days. It is only natural that Israel will do everything necessary in order to protect its citizens from terrorism. Israel will never abandon its own security.

Israel calls on the international community to pressure Arafat to fulfil his commitments to the letter, and to uproot terrorism and violence.

Should the Palestinian Authority stop the violence, a re-initiation of the negotiating process would be possible. The Palestinian announcements regarding their readiness to return to the negotiating table – while the terrorists continue their attacks – are meant purely for propaganda purposes and smack of empty posturing. Once the terrorism ceases, the Palestinians will find that Israel is ready to restart the negotiating process, in accordance with the Mitchell Report outline.

The counter-missionary rabbi

By Barry Fishman, editor

In 1971, while a freshman at Northwestern University protesting against the Vietnam War, religion was the last thing on the mind of Michel Skobac. In fact, he says he was downright hostile about religion. That is until he kept having arguments with Christian fundamentalists who kept trying to convert him.

He took a Torah study class led by Christian missionaries. He calls their methods of recruiting converts "stealth evangelism." By the end of the year Skobac, with the encouragement of some of his Jewish anti-war activist friends, decided to learn about Judaism and transferred to Yeshiva University in New York.

He remembers being at a library near his parents' home in New Jersey and finding in every Jewish book a Christian missionary pamphlet. He removed them. He kept "running into people wanting to convert him." It became like a hobby, this arguing with the fundamentalists.

In 1973, standing on a balcony looking down at a handful of Christian missionaries arguing with some Yeshiva students, he noticed how the "Jewish fellows knew their stuff and remained calm ... unlike the missionaries who soon lost



Rabbi Michel Skobac with his audio tape "How to Answer a Christian Missionary"

their cool."

As he learned more about Judaism he decided he "wanted to share what he had learned with others" and become a college rabbi.

After finishing school in Israel the now Rabbi Michael Skobac began working in Philadelphia where there was a real concern about the Christian Missionary movement and its effect on the community. This was the beginning of Jews for Judaism, which has since expanded to seven locations in North America, South Africa and Australia. In the early '90s, the rabbi moved to Toronto to become the director of Jewish studies at the University of Toronto and

for Judaism as a catalyst to "help the Jewish community get its act together and realize the problems we are facing."

He spends a great deal of time doing seminars and lectures throughout the country on the issue of conversion. His recent JET lecture in Ottawa explained the methods and arguments used by the missionaries to convert Jews and how to respond to them. According to the rabbi, the Jewish community "needs to become more knowledgeable and make the study of Judaism a life long commitment." He is optimistic and says, "that we are beginning to wake up spiritually."

Then educational director for the Toronto branch of Jews for Judaism.

Lonely elderly people, those from the FSU and singles in their '20s and '30s are targeted for conversion. Typical Jewish converts to Christianity, according to the rabbi, have had some limited Jewish education (usually Bar or Bat Mitzvah), in the past year have faced some major emotional crisis which has left them vulnerable, and have never connected to Judaism on a spiritual level.

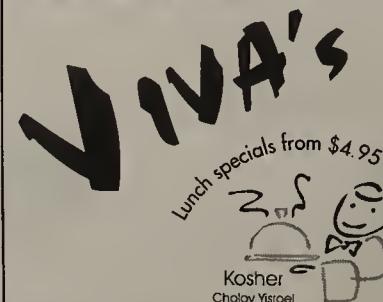
They are usually introduced to the evangelical movement by a devout Christian friend who then introduces them to a Jews for Jesus member.

Rabbi Skobac sees Jews

for Judaism is launching a new campaign called *Let My People Know*. The campaign is aimed at making Jews "missionary smart" by giving them vital materials and information they can use to prepare for any encounter with any of the over 900 missionary groups operating in North America today.

For a limited time, Rabbi Michael Skobac's 92-minute audio-tape *How to Answer a Christian Missionary* and Rabbi Bentzion Karvitz' booklet, *The Jewish Response to Missionaries Counter-Missionary Handbook* is available free of charge by calling (905-761-0040).

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Lawyer Stanley Kershman's new book used by the government

By Lynne Cohen

The Ottawa Jewish community is fortunate to have its very own legal specialist in bankruptcy and insolvency, lawyer Stanley Kershman, who not only excels in his profession, but is also completely committed to the responsibility and joy of being an Ottawa Jew.

Even the recent launch of his first book *Credit Solutions: Kershman on Advising Secured and Unsecured Creditors* - which includes a chapter that was adopted by the federal government for inclusion into the regulations of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act - was an intimate, local affair, with Rabbi Reuven Bulka and Foreign Affairs Minister John Manley heaping on the praise.

"To me there is a Jewish angle and an Ottawa angle to this book," says

Kershman, who is married to Carol and has two children. "Number one, I was born in this community and I am a lifelong member of it. Number two, the book is dedicated to the memory of four outstanding people I loved from Ottawa."

His book honours his late father, Harry Kershman; his late friends, Dr. Eric Stulberg and Ben Baylin; and Naomi Bulka, Rabbi Bulka's wife who died of cancer last spring.

The 900-page book, which costs \$80 and is written in plain language so non-lawyers can use it easily, is only Stanley's latest achievement. After growing up on Roosevelt Avenue and attending Nepean High School, Stanley, who is now 49 years old, went to the University of Ottawa where he earned a bachelor of administration before attending and graduating



Stanley Kershman with The Hon. John Manley

from the U of O Law School.

After being called to the bar in 1978, he was looking around for an area of law to specialize in, when the idea of being a bankruptcy lawyer was suggested to him.

judge just stared at me at first, and I was terrified. I thought maybe my pants were falling down.

"He then yelled at me: 'When you are in this court, you will address yourself as Kershman, initial S.'"

After that, the idea of being a quiet bankruptcy lawyer appealed to him. "I was advised to take it up because in Ottawa, a new bankruptcy court was opening and not a lot of lawyers were practising in the area," he says. "Now, it is 22 years later."

In his career, besides writing *Credit Solutions*, Kershman, who has always been with the firm Kershman and Kerr, has made quite a name for himself. Not only is he certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a specialist in bankruptcy and insolvency law, he has written more than 25 articles for a wide variety of

publications, from the *Ottawa Citizen* to accounting magazines. He has been featured in almost as many articles, as well as on CJOH Television and a guest on CFRA Business.

He is also a national pioneer in the field of mediation in bankruptcy.

Having such a brilliant and widely known bankruptcy lawyer to call our own isn't nearly as satisfying for the community as having him as our very own down-to-earth friend whose priorities are clearly in order. At the end of his acknowledgements page, he says: "Lastly, I want to thank God for providing me with the skill and talent together with the tools to use them effectively in everyday life."

He tells the *Bulletin*: "I always had a goal to write a book so I could dedicate it to my parents."

Archives new virtual tour 'Heritage of Jewish Religion in Ottawa' now available online

By Dawn Logan, archivist

Bookmark this address: <http://collections.ic.gc.ca>. After reaching this address, choose "view the collections" and then "alphabetical listings" and then look under H for Heritage of Jewish Religion in Ottawa. This is a new website created by the Ottawa Jewish Archives. With the support of an Industry Canada's Young Canada Works grant, a thumb-nail sketch of the history of Ottawa's Jewish religion is now online.

The purpose of the grant was to showcase the Heritage of Ottawa Jewish religion and its synagogues as

part of Canada's Digital Collections. These collections provide immediate access to an array of current and historical Canadian subjects. In a way it is another format of the recent successful People's History on television.

The website allows the viewer to examine the history of the various synagogues in Ottawa's Jewish community and some of the patriarchs and pioneers associated with their development. In addition, the website gives the viewer a chance to learn more about Judaism with a glossary of terms as well as a page

devoted to Jewish holidays and festivals. Ottawa Jewish Archives synagogue collections were researched for the website. Archival records of black and white photographs and other paper documents have been used to enhance the textual part.

Two archives technician students from Algonquin College, Bryan Pamell and Lynette Pike, worked under the direction of the Project Manager, Marcia Mordfield. Mordfield has used her archival skills very effectively in the Ottawa Jewish Archives for the past three years. When this new

opportunity arose, she met the challenge with equanimity.

We already have the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* available for in house key word searches as well as a growing number of the Photo-

graphic Collection accessible at the click of a few key words. This website is just another example of the archives continuing to use the most recent technology for the service of researchers.

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JUDAIC OUTREACH PROGRAMS



Tamir's Judaic Outreach is dedicated to assisting people with developmental and other disabilities to learn about, practice, and celebrate Jewish life. We are expanding our Judaic Outreach Service to include a variety of Judaic learning, fitness, and leisure programs.

Please help us plan our schedule by telling us which programs are of interest to you. We will get back to you the week of December 12th with information about dates, times and places.

For more information contact Leah Smith, Judaic Outreach Coordinator, at 798-7268 or leahs@cyberus.ca

Judaic Roots Program (Teens and Adults)

Community Shabbat Dinners

Description: Shabbat dinners held once a month.

Benefits:

- Peer and community involvement
- Enhance Jewish way of life

Bar / Bat Mitzvah Program

Description: Experience a group Bar/Bat Mitzvah under the expert leadership of Cantor Daniel Benlolo from Beth Shalom West Synagogue.

Benefits:

- Education about Jewish life
- Increased Jewish pride
- Sense of accomplishment

Mitzvah Projects

Description: Community placement volunteer positions i.e. maintaining the Tamir Memorial Garden, companion visiting for disabled at home, helping at SJCC Day Care.

Benefits:

- Learn about the importance of doing Mitzvot
- Pride of accomplishment
- Contribute to the community

JUDAIC LEARNING PROGRAM

Weekly participation is encouraged for this 7-week program for adults

Description:

1. Family Sharing: Stories of Jewish life from your family
2. Stories from Torah: Biblical story telling
3. Blessings: For meals and holidays
4. Jewish Music: Folk songs and holiday songs
5. Jewish Marriage: What makes a Jewish marriage
6. "A'yiddishe Mama": The Jewish mama in the family
7. Mitzvah Projects: Participants will volunteer their time to people in need in the community i.e. nursing homes, schools, people shut in their homes, synagogues.

Benefits: A comprehensive program geared to enhance:

- Jewish education
- Jewish way of life
- Community involvement
- Peer support
- Self-expression and self-esteem

Fitness & Leisure Program (Youth, Teens and Adults)

Aqua Relax

Description: Kick back and relax in the SJCC pool.

Flotation devices and one-on-one staff assistance available.

Benefits:

- Positive peer interaction
- Improve mobility and trust
- Reduce stiffness and anxiety

Move & Relax

Description: Learn to relax as you move and become aware of your body.

Benefits:

- Improve mobility and circulation
- Improve posture and body image
- Reduce stiffness and anxiety

Open Gym

Description: Enjoy team sports such as basketball, volleyball, soccer and toss the football.

Benefits:

- Socialize with peers
- Improve cooperative play skills
- Improve endurance and motor skills



Sing-&Play-A-Long

Description: Sing standard sing-a-long, folk and camp songs. Make music with easy to learn percussion instruments.

Benefits:

- Socialize with peers
- Joy of singing
- Learn to make music
- Healthy self-expression

Fun & Games

Description: Have fun playing word games, board games, cards and charades.

Benefits:

- Socialize with peers
- Improve cooperative play skills
- Improve basic spelling and math



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'The dazzling Aussie rabbi' joins JET for seventh annual Shabbaton

By Lauren Shapps

Do you long for a break in your stressful routine? Do you ever wonder what it would be like to keep a complete Shabbat? Are you searching for meaning, particularly after the traumatic events of September 11? Do you fondly remember summer camp or youth group conventions?

If you answer, "yes" to any or all of these questions, then you won't want to miss the seventh annual JET (Jewish Education through Torah)



Rabbi Mordechai Becher

Shabbaton. The shabbaton will take place from Friday

evening, December 7 to Sunday morning December 9, at the Albert at Bay Suite Hotel in downtown Ottawa.

This year's guest lecturer is Rabbi Mordechai Becher, who the New York Post calls "the dazzling Aussie Rabbi." Rabbi Becher is currently the senior lecturer and rabbi for Gateways Organization of New York. Originally from Australia, he has taught extensively in Israel, Canada, and the United States, and has served as a guest lecturer in Australia, Great

Britain, South Africa, and the Former Soviet Union. Rabbi Becher has helped to create Jewish educational software and has authored two books, including *After the Return, a Guide for Newly Observant Jews*. He served in the armoured infantry of the Israel Defense Forces from 1987 until 1992.

The Shabbaton theme is "Israel: Yours, Mine, or Ours?" Rabbi Becher will share his military experiences and look at the conflict over land in a talk entitled:

"Occupied or Liberated: Whose Land is it Anyway?" On Saturday night, he will address the topic: "Seeds of Conflict, Arab and Islamic Attitudes to the Jews and Israel." On Sunday morning he will speak on the topic of "Where on Earth is the World to Come? Life and Afterlife."

Former participants at the Shabbaton have come from a spectrum of Jewish belief and practice. The common

Volunteer and fulfill the mitzvah

Stand up and commit

By Sheldon Taylor

A strange thing happened in my synagogue in the aftermath of 9/11, strange in the sense that it never occurred before. Our Rabbi asked the congregation what they planned to do in order to demonstrate their resolve to strengthen their connection to the community. He asked people to make a commitment to volunteer their time and effort, and if they intended to do so then to demonstrate this by standing up. In a show of unanimity, everyone stood up. I am certain that this overwhelming resolve to volunteer occurred in many families, synagogues, organizations and agencies throughout our Ottawa Jewish community.

The Ottawa Jewish Community Council is recruiting as many new people as possible to volunteer for the various organizations and agencies. A Central Volunteer Bureau (CVB) has been established. To help build its

database organizations are encouraged to submit both the names of those interested in volunteering and volunteer opportunities currently available in their organizations.

A key initiative of the CVB focuses on responding to the Ontario high school 40-hour volunteer credit program. Through the Volunteer Corner in the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin*, the CVB is encouraging our youth to seek out volunteer opportunities within the Jewish community. We are currently canvassing our Jewish community high schools for

lists of names of students who wish to volunteer. In addition, volunteer opportunities will be published on the Ottawa Carleton Board of Education website.

The Volunteer Corner in the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* also allows organizations and agencies to advertise special volunteer opportunities.

The CVB continues to provide ongoing support and assistance to agencies and organizations in the recruitment, orientation, development, and recognition of volunteers. For information on how to enlist in our com-

munity volunteer services contact the Jewish Central Volunteer Bureau at 798-4696 extension 269.

The CVB wishes a Yasher Koach to Estelle Gunnar, an outstanding example of volunteer commitment. She was recently honoured by JFS and Hadassah Wizo for her contributions to the community.

Ottawa scribe presents Trudeau portrait to Parliament
Ottawa artist and scribe Rabbi Eli Benzaquen presents Prime Minister Jean Chrétien with his painting of Pierre Trudeau in the PM's office on October 80. Next to the PM is the artist's wife Helene and Deputy Prime Minister Herb Gray.



Tamir Tea reaches all-time Chai!

25K raised in support of Tamir participants

Tamir Foundation is pleased and proud to report that it held its bi-annual Chai Tea and Art Showcase & Sale under the patronage of Mrs. Linda Divon, wife of the Ambassador of Israel to Canada on July 25, 2001. The event was held on an absolutely gorgeous day under the gracious hospitality of Dorothy and Herb Nadolny. Over 200 people came out to enjoy the social event and support a very worthy cause. A record \$25,000 was raised. Tamir owes a large debt of thanks to the following members of the planning committee for their dedication and hard work:

Convenor	Lily Penso
Treasurer and List Coordinator	Betty Finkelman
Food Arrangements	Flo Morgan
Art Showcase	Bryna Cohen and Naomi Cracower
Publicity	Naomi Cracower

Special note of thanks go to a team of 40 pledge callers, the gourmet bakers and the following companies for their generosity:

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The Elliott Lake Centre donated, for auction, some beautiful works of art through the efforts of Elisa Murray.

At the tea, Shirley Harris, a client of Tamir's Outreach Program, shared some special thoughts on how she has benefited from her involvement in Tamir, including her participation in Tamir's Partnership 2000 trip to Israel last spring.

Todah Rabah to the many friends of Tamir for their generous financial support. Thanks to each and every one of you, Tamir participants are able to enjoy quality of life in a Jewish environment here in Ottawa.

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Marion Mayman community volunteer extraordinaire

By Diane Koven

For the first time in almost 70 years, the national president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO is from Ottawa. Marion Mayman was elected in November 1999 to serve a three-year term as head of the well-known women's organization and, since then, has barely stayed put long enough to be interviewed.

From her childhood days in Sydney, Nova Scotia, Mayman fondly remembers helping her mother at Hadassah-WIZO bake sales and bazaars. Back then she was an active member of Canadian Young Judea, the Zionist youth movement of which Hadassah-WIZO is the parent organization. She



Marion Mayman

rose through the movement ranks, learning the leadership skills, which have served her throughout her life. "I went to Israel for a year at the age of 17, on the Machon (Institute for Youth Leaders from Abroad)," she says, "and returned to

become president of Maritime Young Judea."

Marion's husband, Shlomo, had been national president of Canadian Young Judea and together they made aliyah. They lived in Israel, on Moshav Timorim, for five years before returning to North America for Shlomo to pursue graduate studies at MIT.

The pioneering spirit remained with the Maymans as they moved next to Pinawa, Manitoba where they lived – and were the only Jewish family – for 20 years. Next came a two-year stint with the National Research Council in Winnipeg and then, finally, the Maymans settled in Ottawa.

Wherever she has found

herself, Mayman has been an active volunteer. When something needs to be done, she pitches in and gets it done. In Pinawa, there was no paid librarian, so Mayman became the volunteer librarian. Because she had to spend a great deal of time at school with one of her sons who had muscular dystrophy, she became involved in the school board. "I became a school trustee," she says, "because I am an activist. In Winnipeg, I became involved with the Muscular Dystrophy Association and Respite Care for the needs of the physically challenged. Everything I have done was because I felt I could make a difference in certain areas."

Mayman has been active

locally in the Liberal party for many years. "When I moved here," she says, "I thought, 'How could I be living in the nation's capital and not be involved in politics? So, I became involved."

Both prior to her election as national president of Hadassah-WIZO and in addition to her duties in that organizations, Mayman's volunteer involvements have been numerous. To name just a few, she has been president of Agudath Israel Congregation; is immediate past-president of Jewish National Fund, Ottawa; is a board member of Canadian Jewish Congress and of the Canada-Israel Committee; has been president of the Eastern Region of the Liberal Party of Canada – Ontario; president of the Visiting Homemakers of Ottawa-Carleton and on and on.

"Hadassah-WIZO has always been my first love," says Mayman. She has been making her way across the

country, visiting the various chapters. With close to 40 centres coast to coast, from St. John's to Victoria, this alone could keep her busy full time! International travel is also on her agenda as the organization is affiliated with Hadassah International and with World WIZO and Mayman sits on many boards in Israel, including the Hebrew University.

A loyal member of the Negev chapter here in Ottawa, Mayman enjoys the social aspects of membership as well. "People like to get together socially and share common interests," she says. "I am very pleased with the tremendous support I have had in Ottawa."

Marion Mayman is a perfect example of a community volunteer – a person who gives willingly and completely of herself, yet feels that she has gained more than she could ever express. Our community is very fortunate to have her in our midst.

Na'amot Ottawa supports Heart and Stroke walk

The morning started off grey and foggy, but by 9 a.m., the sun was shining, and the Rideau Canal was sparkling as hundreds of people set off on a walk to raise money for research into heart and stroke disease. The Cheerios Mother Daughter Walk for Heart & Stroke was a national event run by the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

Seven members of Na'amot Ottawa joined in the day's activities as a community team. Towing nine children and two husbands along, they started out at Dow's Lake and walked the five-kilometre route along the Rideau Canal.

Na'amot member Judy Field, the key organizer of this year's walk, suggested that Na'amot put together a community team. The team received more than \$400 in



Members of the Na'amot Ottawa team who participated in the Cheerios Mother Daughter Walk for Heart & Stroke.

donations and pledges and many members walked in honour of family or friends, who had passed away or were affected by these diseases.

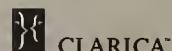
"The Heart and Stroke Foundation has touched many of our lives," said Ilana Albert-Novick, team leader. "This was a great opportunity for our group

to do something together for another wonderful organization and an important cause."

Na'amot is an International women's organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and children both here in Canada and in Israel. For more information on our organization, how you can donate

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SOLOWAY JCC STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

When was the last time you hugged your favourite SJCC staff member?

Well, now's your chance.

On Monday, December 3 stop by our front desk on the way into the SJCC and pick up a flower or two

to give to your favourite staff member.

This is an opportunity for our members to show appreciation to our staff.

So mark the date on your calendar, and don't miss out on the chance to give a hug and a flower to someone special.



The JCC class of 95'

Norman Lesh, (sitting second from right), was one of the few JCC health club members in 1995. And, as Norman explains, things were quite different back then. "The old JCC was small, it was kind of like a private club. The number of health club members was so tiny, that you knew everybody by name. We'd get together on Sundays and have our weekly brunch in the lounge. But the community has grown up since those days. The new Soloway JCC is great! Its facilities are much better and much larger than the old JCC, it has more equipment, a nicer lounge, easily accessible facilities, and a pleasant restaurant. Most of the oldies, though, still work out at the new SJCC, and have made many new friends there. But we still keep in touch and get together to have our weekly brunch after the Sunday workout."

The SJCC welcomes its new Revenue Development Manager, Josie Finestone

Ian Sherman, Chair of the Board, and Linda Kerzner, President and Chief Operating Officer of the Soloway Jewish Community Centre, are very pleased to announce the appointment of Josie Finestone as Revenue Development Manager.

Josie comes to the SJCC with many years of experience in special events and fundraising, most recently as special assistant to Regional Chair and current Mayor Bob Chiarelli. She is a very active volunteer fundraiser for the National Arts Centre and the National Arts Centre Orchestra Association. She was Canadian Jewish Congress' first National Capital Liaison, and Director of Community Relations for the Ottawa Jewish Community Council.

Her role will be to create and develop fundraising initiatives for the SJCC, both in partnership with other local Jewish organizations and in the broader community. Her mandate includes 50th anniversary Major Program sponsorships, special events, benefactor program, grants and planned giving programs.

Josie can be found in the SJCC administrative offices Tuesday through Thursday or by calling 798-9818 ext. 444.

We look forward to our association and wish her well in her endeavours.

Adrienne Shabsove, Soloway JCC Fitness Fanatic

Adrienne Shabsove has very humble beginnings in the world of fitness. She, like most people, preferred a hot cup of coffee in the morning to a challenging workout. But all that changed three years ago when Adrienne joined the Soloway JCC. She explains: "I was pregnant with my first child when I joined the SJCC. I started by taking a 10k clinic, where I learned to jog and run. It was very therapeutic. Nowadays, I do the Co-ed Pump and weight training classes. They are both excellent classes and Carla is very motivating. Cardio-kickboxing, which is otherwise referred to as "Cardio-Knockout," is also great.



I now work out four times a week, with the occasional Sunday, and have never felt better!!

My morning workout has actually replaced the morning coffee (although sometimes I'll have a coffee after class)."

Chanukah Parties!

On Sunday, December 9th, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., the Soloway JCC and JET are having a Chanukah party and you're invited.

This isn't going to be just any kind of party. There will be games, prizes to be won, delicious warm jelly donuts to be eaten, Chanukah songs, arts and crafts, music and more!

But if that's not enough, parents and children can test their knowledge by playing our blockbuster Chanukah game. Do you know for example, which came first in Jewish history, Chanukah or Purim? Or

why we light an additional candle every night during Chanukah, instead of starting at eight and working our way down? If you know these answers you could win some great prizes or be eligible to win our special Chanukah surprise!

So if you are one of those people that tend to forget, make a miracle happen

At the Movies ...

The Ottawa Jewish Film Society will be screening two feature films on Sunday, December 16, at 2:00 p.m. The films are FREE to all Soloway JCC members and will be held in Social Hall A.

Expulsion and Memory, traces the descendants of Spanish Jews forced to flee or convert to Catholicism after the edict of 1492. The film was produced in Canada, 1996 and has a running time of 60 minutes.

Both Sides of the Wire documents the plight of Jewish refugees deported from England to Canada during the Second World War and has a running time of 51 minutes.

The event is sponsored by the Greenberg Families Library and Agudath Israel Congregation.

For more information, please call the Greenberg Families Library at 798-9818 ext. 245.

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** Important Announcement **

The Third Annual Silent Auction and Chinese Buffet

will be held on Saturday, February 9th, 2002, at the Soloway JCC. This promises to be an evening of fun, food, and excitement including a Chinese Buffet, great prize packages, and a special guest performance.

All proceeds from the evening will go to Torah Academy of Ottawa and the Soloway Jewish Community Centre. For more information call Josie Finestone at 798-9818 ext. 444 or Rabbi Shaps ext. 247.

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for those aged 8 - 11 and offers a variety of activities such as games, hikes, camping and outdoor activities to all who join.

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For more information or to register, call Gail Lieff at 798-9818 ext. 303 or e-mail gail@jccottawa.com.

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Hillel Academy and the Soloway Jewish Community Centre will host the annual "Desert Classic Golf Tournament".

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Unlock the Mysteries of the Kabbalah

Come and explore the fascinating world of Jewish Mysticism through a study of the history, theory and practice of the Kabbalah as seen through the light of Chassidus.

Study groups will be held every Sunday at 4:30 p.m. at the Soloway JCC. For more information on these classes, contact Shmuel Kardash at 798-7721 or email: szkardash@hotmail.com.

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Simchas are about joy, tradition, appreciation and the coming together of family and friends. They are about honoring the blessings of life. They are opportunities to make the most of what life has to offer. They are the special moments that we capture and we cherish.

Many things change- some things don't! One constant in our lives is the life cycle event: births, graduations, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs and weddings. We are all "party" to these simchas. Now more than ever we understand the need to celebrate to take advantage of life's good things.

Some people do things better than others. Entertaining and event planning is not everyone's forte.

In fact like the fear of public speaking, many people shy away from areas that require strong organizational skills. Yet everyone is faced with this actuality at one time or another.

The best parties reflect the host/hostess' unique style and taste. In order to create that drama professionals use all the senses to evoke a mood and tone that befits the event.

This supplement is meant to act as a resource for those who may be in the party mode and to give the customer tips on ensuring a successful party.

Read the "Art of the Party". Savor it, save it and refer to it!

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The Art of the Party

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A hat for every occasion

When looking for a hat for that special occasion, whether it be your son's Bar Mitzvah or your daughter's Bat Mitzvah, you'll always find what you're searching for at Hats for Gals.

Miriam Gal-Taub, owner of Hats for Gals, prides herself on finding the perfect hat for each and every one of her cherished clients. Her eye for fashion, combined with her down to earth personality and extensive knowledge of hats, gives her the tools needed to help you find what you are looking for. A hat is not merely a head covering for this home based studio owner, it is an expression of style and personality.

Whether you are looking for a fun and functional hat or one that can carry you to elegant affairs, there is always a large selection to choose from.

Some pointers when shopping for hats - from a woman who's been there, many times. If you are looking for a hat to match a specific piece of clothing, Miriam says your best bet is to bring it along with you. This will give you the exact idea of what you can expect to see when looking in the mirror on the morning of your upcoming simcha. But it doesn't end there! If you want to take your look one creative step further,

why not have a hat custom designed to match your outfit? It is as easy as ordering it one month in advance and picking it up to complete your ensemble.

As all of us ladies are fully aware, the black hat is always in vogue. Included amongst the basic colors are navy, gray, red and ivory. But this season, we are moving forward ... incorporating hot colors such as camel, brown and various shades of green into chic fashion. For Spring 2002, look for rich pastel shades, such as apple green, buttercup and magenta.

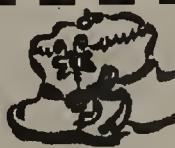
Not all hats should be worn all year round and a good way to remember which hat you should wear when is quite simple. When Rosh Hashanah comes creeping around the corner, you know it's time to take down your felt hats from your closet, or update your wardrobe by purchasing some new ones. Once Spring greets us, Passover is the time to begin wearing straw hats. This easy tip will ensure you are on top of your 'hat etiquette' all year round.

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needed to survive our good old Canadian winters. Included in Miriam's product line are winter hats, scarves and gloves in suede, faux fur, wool, fleece, chenille, silk and acrylic. It has never been so easy to stay warm and look great all at once! And for those sunny summer days, sun protection can also be fashionable with great sun hats in straw, raffia or perisul. These accessories are wonderful gift ideas and are easy to travel with. Just pack and go!

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The next time you stop into Hats for Gals, be sure to feel the warmth in the atmosphere, recognize the breadth of the selection and know that you have found what you are looking for. Whether searching for one item or seeking to revamp your entire closet, you'll be sure to leave knowing your purchases are an expression of your individuality and unique beauty. You will be proud of what you've left with and most importantly, of who you are.



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Let the music do the talking

By Elaine Cohen

Music is one of the highlights of a memorable wedding celebration. It sets the tone for the party and creates harmony among the guests.

Musical expertise may be the main ingredient but reading the crowd is equally important, says musician Robert Rail, who prides himself on being an astute judge of people.

"We must have a good understanding of the crowd and know what kind of music they'll appreciate," says Rail, director of the New Robert Rail Orchestra.

"When we're on stage, there are no dead spots. We want everybody to stay on the floor and dance. Therefore, we gauge our breaks to accommodate the guests not to suit ourselves."

The New Robert Rail Orchestra (514-990-3929) features vocalists Janice Greenberg and Robert Pigeon. Greenberg began singing at Rabiners Hotel in her preteens. Located in the Laurentians, Rabiners was a popular Jewish family hotel. Throughout the years, she has performed for many community and corporate functions. Last spring, she joined Rail's orchestra.

"Janice is a great communicator and we welcomed her presence," says Rail. "She really knows how to interact with a crowd. She possesses a passion for entertaining." A people-person, Greenberg says she derives energy from the energy of the crowd.

Greenberg and Pigeon perform solos and duets. The New Robert Rail Orchestra includes a bassist, a keyboard player, a saxophonist and a drummer. At the client's request, Rail also arranges for a relief band or a DJ.

Rail and Greenberg advise bridal couples to book the orchestra as soon as possible. Two months before the big day, Rail meets with the couple to plan the music, especially the bride and groom's opening song.

"I always prepare the bride and groom's opening song. It's the first dance and everyone gets up on the floor and joins in," says Rail, who is well versed in Jewish customs and ceremonies. "Sometimes, I'm the one that explains the significance of the *mozinka* (marks a dance at the marriage of the last child)."

The Robert Rail Orchestra's new millennium CD is indicative of the ensemble's

versatility. The group is attuned to songs at the top of the charts, as well as music of every era and genre, whether it's Latin or songs of the '70s.

Two members of the orchestra write arrangements and subsequently other members study their charts. "We all read music, so it's very professional," says Rail.

The Robert Rail Orchestra boasts a diverse repertoire, performing for a plethora of family simchas as well as mega corporate functions.

Rail has worked with musical greats such as Céline Dion and Michel Legrand. For four years, he was musical director of a show on a major French television network.

Rail's love affair with music was sparked at age 6, when he learned to play the piano and organ. He furthered his knowledge with undergraduate and graduate degrees at the University of Montreal.

Like all the members of his orchestra, Rail is a full-time musician. "Being a full-time musician makes for quality musicianship," says Rail.

When he isn't performing, Rail is either teaching jazz or popular music or arranging gigs through Robert Rail Productions.

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According to Sandy Granatstein, president of Madison Travel/Carlson Wagonlit, some of the hottest destinations for this winter will be Mexico, Barbados, and the Dominican Republic.

Sandy has been in the travel business for over 25 years and has owned her own agency for over 20. In 1997 she became affiliated with the Carlson Wagonlit organization. With all of her staff's experience combined, there isn't a nook or cranny of the world that hasn't been explored.

Sandy prides herself in the fact that some agents have

been with her for twenty years.

About 60 percent of the business that Carlson Wagonlit conducts is corporate, and the other 40 percent is leisure travel. The agency is trying to expand its leisure business by offering tours and cruises for the winter break. Sandy and her team of agents especially love to plan trips to Israel - from Bar Mitzvah tours to corporate excursions.

Carlson Wagonlit is a full-service agency, which means that aside from helping to plan your vacation, it offers advice about visas, passports, and insurance. Carlson Wagonlit has also instituted a meeting and event planning department for corporate travel.

Like everyone else in the travel industry, Carlson Wagonlit felt the after-effects of the Sept. 11th

tragedy. Since the terrorist attacks, most people have been wary of air travel and have been reluctant to plan vacations. Although the period directly following the events was a

rough one for Carlson Wagonlit, they have now returned to operating at normal capacity. Sandy emphasizes that although many unpleasant things are happening in the world right now, it is necessary for people to move on and enjoy what the world has to offer.

Carlson Wagonlit offers the best of both worlds. Since it is connected to a large, international company, it is able to offer great value and reliability. However, being a small, locally owned business, Carlson Wagonlit can better cater to its loyal clientele within the Ottawa community.



Sandra Granatstein

Judy & David "come home"

Many readers of this newspaper will know that Judy & David's roots are in the Jewish community. Having met while entertaining at Sunday School, Judy and David fell in love with each other, and each other's music. They moved on to become Jewish camp song leaders. Now years later, in the midst of their fame as YTV stars, and with a Juno-award to their credit, Judy & David are "coming home" with their first Jewish album.

The album, which will be released mid-December, includes several Chanukah songs and is loaded with lyrics of peace, love and understanding. One of the highlights is a song called "You and I", a funky hip-hop tune that features children of different races and religions reading lines from various scriptures.

The music of Judy & David has made them a huge success in the secular world. Their music weaves its way through North America's cultural mosaic.

With songs such as "Rock 'n Roll Matzah Ball," and "La Bouche", Judy & David introduce children to each other's worlds. Whether transforming classic children's songs into up-to-date funky favourites, or unleashing their own new creations, they reach a worldwide audience with their playful music and crazy antics. Their approach has worked well. To date, they've released 11

albums, selling millions, in eight short years.

Judy & David will be appearing at Centrepointe Theatre at 1 p.m. on January 20, 2002. Their Jewish album will be sold exclusively to theatre patrons after the performance. It will not be available in Ottawa stores until late next year. Tickets are available at the box office, 101 Centrepointe Drive, or charge by phone 727-6650.

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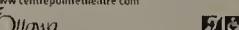
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Not just a bagel shop!

Ottawa Bagel has a lot more to offer than just bagels. This original shop is the largest and most extensive deli in Ottawa, according to proprietor, Vince Piazza.

Blintzes, salads, kosher smoked fish, deli cuts, cheeses and knishes are just a few of the 7000 items that Ottawa Bagel has to offer. A large variety of quality olive oils, balsamic vinegars and jams can also be found in the store. In addition, Ottawa Bagel carries an enormous selection of kosher chocolates as well as the "best cappuccino in the world."

Ottawa Bagel has made quite a name for itself throughout the 17 years since its inception. The shop attracts a very diverse group of people and the staff come from all corners of the globe. This, says Piazza, is one of the reasons he's in the business: the diversity and versatility that his store reflects makes it one of the most interesting shops in Ottawa.

So what about the bagels? The bagels are made fresh daily and are assured to be kosher. Not only can they be found in the store, but they

are also sold wholesale to other retailers. According to a Boston food magazine in 1996, Ottawa Bagel's product was chosen as being the best quality in the world.

Piazza has been in the food business for 35 years. He spent a lot of time at the Ritz Carlton in Montreal. He says his knowledge of French cuisine has been incorporated into everything he does.

The cook as artist

Simon Benisty considers himself an artist when it comes to food. This versatile Kashrut-certified caterer can whip up any kind of cuisine for any kind of affair - you name it, and he can do it!

Benisty's training began in Herzliyah where he studied hotel management. He worked in both the hotel and food industries throughout Europe until 1982, when he moved to Canada and started, "La Belge Gourmande." Since then, he has been catering everything from Bar Mitzvahs to weddings and anniversary parties.

Benisty prides himself on making everything from scratch. His original recipes use only the highest quality ingredients.

Ottawa Bagel offers a cafeteria where customers can enjoy a hot cappuccino or a fresh bagel. You can visit seven days a week from 6:30 a.m. (if you're feeling ambitious) until 7 p.m. Foods for breakfast, lunch and dinner are always available.

This multifaceted shop can be found at 1321 Wellington St. between Island Park Drive and Holland Park.

One-stop shopping concept

In 1992, Aliza Gauzas decided to put her boundless energy, creativity, and organizational experience to open *All Events Planning Services*. She began with personal lifecycle events such as weddings, Bar Mitzvahs and theme parties and branched out into corporate, government and professional association events as well as events held by the hospitality industry. She has been called upon to design, manage and produce events across Canada.

As one of the independent event planners in Ottawa, she has found a special niche within the Ottawa-Carleton region by providing a unique one-stop shopping concept for her clients. "Why have the ordinary when you can have the extraordinary? If it is not here in Ottawa, then we will make the product or find it for you! The challenges are exciting, the opportunities endless and the wonderful people I meet make every event a new experience," says Gauzas. The services of event design, management and production are enhanced by this one-stop shopping concept which offers custom decorating and specialty products such as

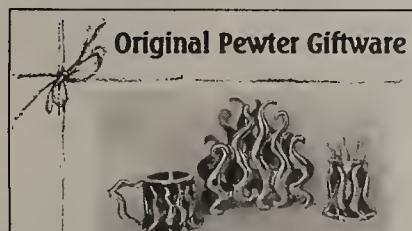
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The invitation is the first contact with your guests, the first impression that will set the mood and style of your event. It can generate excitement and anticipation, and definitely get your celebration off to a good start.

Although traditional styles have been maintained over the years, invitation design and paper choices have recently taken a new direction offering a tremendous array to suit any budget or desire.

With the many alternatives available, planning your wedding, Bar/Bat Mitzvah or other special social occasion can leave you wondering where to start. Fran and Jules Cogan of Paperworld, located at Westgate Shopping Centre, have the flair, talent and over thirty years experience to make it all come together. Today's selection of hand made and specialty papers, vellums, ribbons and trims, combine into an array of original and classic creations that can be individualized to every customer's taste. In house pro-

duction enables easy no cost line changes, odd number quantities, color matching and if you need to add a few more names to your guest list, it can be done cost effectively and quickly.

A home-made invitation is not as easy as it looks. The concept of doing it yourself can be very misleading. Jules Cogan of Paper World advises "It would be beneficial only if you require a very small quantity of invitations, have the computer skill & equipment, the time and the creative ability. Most people don't have the knowledge of etiquette to word an invitation correctly, it's not something you do everyday." He says he's had many a customer come in after attempting to do it themselves, only to have it cost them more in the long run.

Traditional and imported cards from in store catalogues still make up the largest percentage of invitation orders. There is a large updated inventory of catalogues available at Paper

World, offering a wide assortment of current quality designs. Choices have increased over the years from simple to flamboyant. There are many designs die cut into different shapes, using layers, ribbons and vellum treatments, as well as increased availability in print styles and color. Multilingual requirements, as well as rush orders can all be accommodated.

Once the invitation choice is made, the rest is easy. Event accessories come next, and can include customized envelope addressing, place cards, menu cards, programs, napkins, yarmulkes and more. An artistic stamp or elegant seal is a nice finishing detail.

*(Paper World offers the following tip that postal charges double for envelopes larger than 6 inches in height.)

Remembering that those little extra touches help make your celebration all the more special, choose your invitation wisely and choose Paper World.

For the princess bride

True or false: a bride looking for the perfect wedding dress must schlep all the way to Montreal or Toronto. According to Gabriella Stern-Young the answer is most definitely false.

Stern-Young and her mother Jill, have owned Sinder's Bridal Shop for the last four of the store's eight year existence. This beautiful boutique is located just half an hour outside of Ottawa - in a romantic three-story Victorian mansion in Carleton Place.

According to Stern-Young, Sinder's carries the "latest and up-to-date" in wedding dresses. They find their dresses in bridal markets anywhere from Britain to Chicago.

Besides having some of the most exclusive lines around, Sinder's also provides bar none service. They offer complimentary bridal storage, private fitting rooms and free steaming and pressing. The dress never has to leave the store, as there is a seamstress on the premises.

The best part of working in a bridal shop, according to Stern-Young is helping a bride-to-be find the perfect gown. She loves searching for and buying beautiful dresses and most of all - seeing them on clients.

Stern-Young advises that the dress be bought well in advance of the wedding day. The dresses usually take about four to six months to be made and it takes about eight weeks for the accessories to come in. Because

of this, it is never a wise thing to leave these things to the last minute. The floral arrangements, hair, and make-up all depend on the dress and must also be arranged in advance. In addition to providing wedding gowns, Sinder's also takes care of bridesmaid dresses.

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sane throughout, so you and those you love are still on speaking terms as your event unfolds.

The principal of BE MY GUEST, Sharon Monson, has been intimately involved in the event and décor business in the Jewish community for many years, and her many clients regard her as "the best investment of the whole simcha".

Sharon loves what she does and does what she loves. This clearly translates into a maximum benefit to her clients. Through-out, her enthusiasm and exquisite taste make any affair shine.

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The basic rate for a wedding video is \$495 and for a Bar Mitzvah, is \$900. However, Ron will try to subsidize a video under certain circumstances.

When picking a videographer or a photographer, Ron suggests you know what you're getting before committing. Check references. See the person's work. There is only one chance to get this done, so make sure that your videographer has back up equipment should anything happen.

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According to general manager, Jeffrey Rothermel, the best thing about being in the hotel business is interacting with a variety of different people and making sure they have an enjoyable and comfortable stay. "People are here to have a good time," explains Rothermel. "It's fun to be a part of that."

The Embassy West attracts a wide clientele. Corporate guests, families and seniors frequently come to enjoy the hotel's reasonable rates and superb customer service. Accommodations can also be made for sports teams and international tour groups.

The Embassy West has 121 cozy guestrooms and six multipurpose function rooms. The largest of the function rooms can accommodate 180 guests. The others are also large enough to hold events such as birthdays, anniversaries, Bar Mitzvahs and sweet 16's.

The hotel's Consulate Café

is open daily for buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner. A

good-value luncheon buffet is offered Monday through Friday. On Sunday, there's a beautiful Sunday brunch, and a special table d'hôte menu for \$19.95 per person is available on both Friday and Saturday evenings.

Over the past few years, an ongoing refurbishing program has taken place at the hotel. The guestrooms, lounge area, meeting rooms and lobby are all in the process of being upgraded.

In the summer, guests can enjoy the hotel's beautiful outdoor pool and pretty landscape. Other services that the Embassy West provides includes free parking, free local calls, as well as an out-

door dining patio and pool deck.

This quality hotel is conveniently located at the corner of Kirkwood and Carling - right off the Queensway. It's in walking distance of several major attractions such as the Experimental Farm, and Dow's Lake, the location of the annual Winterlude festival. Agudath Israel Congregation is a five minute walk and downtown Ottawa is just a hop, skip and jump away.

While the Embassy West Hotel offers wonderful facilities, they are best known for creating "a home away from home" for their guests. Friendly service and a small, cozy property are their main trademarks.

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The store regularly receives new and exciting

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A little night music

Have you ever been to a social function where there was a live band, but you wished there wasn't? You know the scenario: walls of speakers that turn conversation into a shouting match; a repertoire that revolves around the songs of the musicians' adolescence; and a certain dull incomprehension of the concept of entertaining an audience. These are but a few of the endearing qualities we've grown to expect of a group on the party/convention scene.

A recent encounter with a band at a private affair in Montreal was a blow to that preconception. Upon entrance to the main hall, the crowd was serenaded, rather than assaulted. The sound was full and rich, without being an obstacle to dinner talk. The choice of music was perfect for the early part of a soirée, by turns, an elegant background to dinner, and then an irresistible invitation to dance between courses. The group seemed to know exactly the right thing to play at each moment. Who was this ensemble and where did they come from?

The band was the Nightshift Orchestra. They are a highly-in-demand seven-mem-

ber group that, it turns out, has been busily performing at affairs in and around the Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto areas, for the past sixteen years.

As the evening progressed, the qualities behind that enduring popularity were revealed one by one. The first thing that became obvious is that Nightshift is a band that loves to entertain. While the dinner service was being cleared the intensity of the music picked up, and bodies started to move - on stage and off. Chorography, and animation involving audience members kept things fun and engaging. Talented, multi-styled vocalist Nancy Zeligman struck the perfect balance of friendliness and elegance as

she introduced songs and chatted with people.

"We enjoy ourselves, so our audience enjoys themselves," said bandleader Eli Krantzberg in conversation between sets. "The important thing is to keep it vital and exciting for ourselves, by trying new things." He described some of their arsenal of cutting edge gear, which includes a laptop computer equipped with digital audio/midi recording software. "It's allowed us to add a sheen to the foundation of our good sound and make it even bigger and fuller than it was previously."

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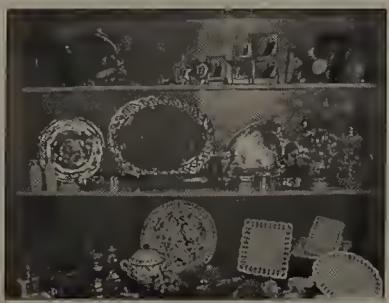


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With all that in mind, **David** Smith of Creative Kosher Catering tries to get a "read" on his customers and pick up "cues" on what he or she might want. His many consultations create an invaluable inventory of ideas that

allow him to optimize his talent and implement the requests of his clients.

Never afraid of attempting something new, **David** will be bold or basic as the situation requires. He has both time and patience to work out the perfect scenario.

"It's not just about eating – but about the experience," says **David**.

He wants to ensure that the entire simcha be a pleasant occurrence for both host and guest alike.

After several years in Vancouver, **David** has returned home with a repertoire that includes inspired food and smart design. He has married West Coast flair with East Coast sensibility to create some very successful parties. Together with his kitchen team that includes chefs

Eddy Chicoine and Arden Wright, **David** brings the best to the table.

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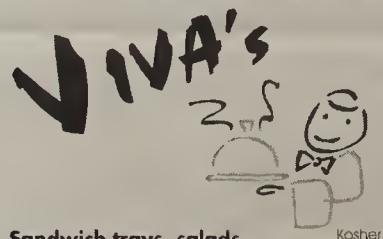
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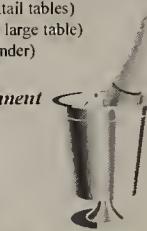
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Creative In Sites decorates space for Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, weddings, corporate events, awards ceremonies, trade shows, and seasonal holidays. After having decorated over 300 events, Ellen and her team are still up for new challenges. No room, event, or client is alike, making this the most exciting aspect of Ellen's job.

According to Ellen, lifting people's spirits is the main objective of event décor. Creative In Sites has the ability to make their clients laugh, smile or gasp in enchantment at a ceiling blanketed in balloons and sprinkled with glittering stars.

Ellen has been in love with décor since her early teens when she watched her father.



Art Lazear creates magnificent window displays and event decorations. Two and a half years ago, she collaborated with Guy Lacasse and founded Creative In Sites. Lacasse's expertise is balloon sculpturing. When Creative In Sites uses this unique and versatile medium, the creations never fall short of breathtaking.

At a gala event on Saturday, November 3, Creative In Sites decorated a Bat Mitzvah at the Château Laurier with a theme entitled "up, up and away." They used 30 life-sized hot air balloons and sculpted clouds out of balloons to give the

impression that they were floating through the air.

Creative In Sites also focuses on centerpiece art, special effects, and lighting. In addition to possessing a wealth of creativity and imagination, Creative In Sites can also easily act as the calming force. Event planning can be stressful and overwhelming. After having accumulated years of experience, Ellen has the know-how to find the perfect theme, décor and set up for her clients. Creative In Sites has the reputation of being one of the most unique and professional decorating businesses around.

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There is some confusion regarding the two Craig Kennedys. Craig P. Kennedy – Guitar & Vocals - Craig S. Kennedy – Keyboards & Vocals. Craig S. Kennedy

plays keyboards and is the Kennedy of Stevens & Kennedy. Having three leaders could have been difficult but the three leaders had distinct roles and a solid relationship. Craig is with Treasury Board as a Project Officer and you can see him at holiday time leading a choir of his fellow workers.

Craig P. Kennedy, our guitar player/vocalist, works at RCMP Headquarters. Craig is an ex-RCMP Band member and can be seen at official occasions, special events and sporting events singing "O Canada".

Bill Stevens has not been with the band for about five years and Bill was replaced with James Kirkham. James has brought a new element to the band and S&K has brought something new to his show. James' stage presence and S&K's professionalism are a natural partnership in showmanship.

Additional band members include Sid Arnold on trumpet, Ken on bass, Mike Tremblay on saxophone, Mike Fahie on trombone and Michel Cloutier our drummer.

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Yudi's caters all events – mostly weddings and Bar/Bat Mitzvahs.

Yudi Chein, the magician behind the food has been a caterer for nine years. This Israeli native is strictly kosher and Shomer Shabbat. Edelson, Chein's right hand man has been in the kosher catering business for forty years and has been his consultant for three. This dynamic catering duo work with area synagogues and halls to provide a wide variety of

delectable kosher cuisine to the community.

Chein's specialties include standard dishes like chicken and prime rib as well as more exotic delights such as Chinese buffets and Moroccan cuisine. Only the freshest ingredients are used in the dishes. This ensures that their food is of the highest quality every time.

Besides concentrating in food preparation, presenting the food in a unique and aesthetically pleasing way is also their forte. Edelson says that his clients are always pleased with both the food and the display.

After having accumulated decades of experience in the catering business, Chein and Edelson know the ins and outs of planning an event. Besides organizing the menu, they will also give advice on decor and music to

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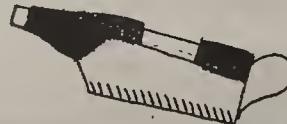
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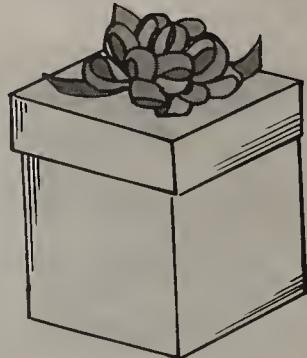
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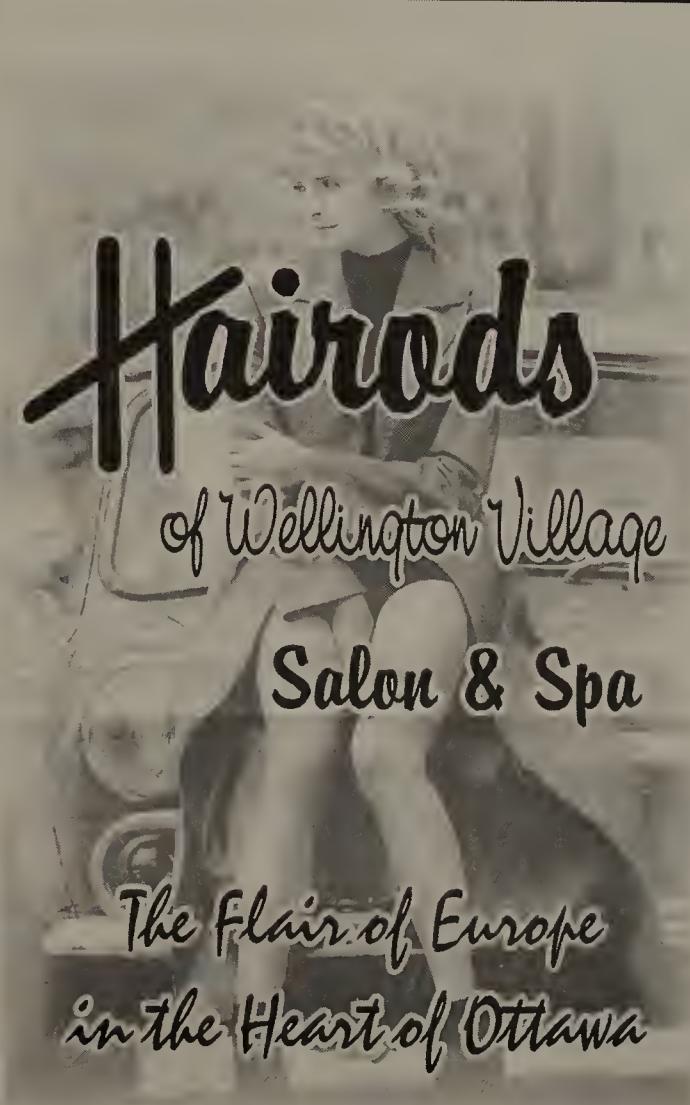
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The loyal Beth Shalom congregation has relied on Cathy Levine's impeccable taste since 1987, when she started volunteering at the sisterhood's gift shop. She prides herself on her beautiful collection and her ability to cater to her client's needs.

The gift shop has a unique and exciting Judaic inventory. From kiddush cups to Seder plates; from candlesticks to eclectic jewelry, Beth Shalom is sure to have something to pique your fancy.

Candles that will burn in your channukiah for an hour and collector dreidles are just a few of this year's specialties.

Channukiah can range from \$22.95 for those who are on a tight holiday budget to \$300 for those in search of a meaningful gift. There are also seasonal greeting cards and wrapping



(Above) Cathy Levine displays some of the items at the gift shop; (right) brass chanukiah.

paper.

Specialty items for Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, as well as bridal registrations are a few more examples of what the Beth Shalom gift shop has to offer.

Levine is a people-person who loves interacting with the community both inside and outside the shul. Volunteering at the gift shop enables her to meet people from diverse backgrounds and make them happy by helping them find the perfect gift.



If there is a special item that someone requires that can not be found in the gift shop, Levine can simply order it up from a catalogue. Inventory is readily available from New York and Los Angeles.

You can arrange an appointment with Cathy Levine by either calling her at home at 828-2904 or contacting the synagogue at 789-3501.

Lose your marbles and tickle your fancy

If "curious gifts and other oddities" are what you're looking for this Chanukah, Lost Marbles is guaranteed to tickle your fancy. Whether you're a kid, or a kid at heart, this eclectic store will have the ideal gift for virtually anybody.

According to the manager, Simon Anisman, the hottest gifts for the holidays this year are anticipated to be Lego, Bionical and most importantly - scores of Harry Potter paraphernalia. Because of the upcoming movie debut, Anisman says that Harry Potter is sure to be a hit among youngsters.

Lost Marbles has loads of other great gifts for kids including Transformers, robots, as well as Paul Frank and Hello Kitty merchandise.

There are also sections of the store dedicated to classic children's books such as Curious George, Where the Wild Things

Are, Dr. Seuss and (of course), Harry Potter!

Lost Marbles, a close relation to the already established toy chain, Mrs. Tiggy Winkle's, celebrated its grand opening nine months ago. Lost Marbles differs from its sister stores, in that it carries less mainstream merchandise.

If you're looking for something fun and unique

for an adult, Lost Marbles carries a wide array of retro toys and gifts. Tinker toys, beaded curtains as well as retro posters and t-shirts are sure to make a splash.

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For special occasions like weddings or Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Andrew Morgan, the national artistic director of the salon also suggests setting up a consultation and trial close to the date of the event. One thing that Morgan warns strongly against is setting up a consultation in the winter for an event that will take place in the summer, as a tan will throw

the whole makeup scheme off.

Mostly Makeup works with the most up-to-date lines of cosmetics from France and California. Brands like Serge Louis Alvarez, Trucco, Darphin and Tigi are just a few of the brands on Mostly Makeup's palette. The artists also work with the super-chic Dermatologica skin care line - a brand that the cast of Friends, Sarah Michelle Gellar, and Callista Flockhart swear by.

Morgan has spent eight years as a makeup artist, but has been concerned with the art of glimmer and glam long before that. He worked in the fashion industry and in theatre. This animated artist loves working in makeup design because of the opportunity to meet interesting people.

While Mostly Makeup offers mostly makeup, it also recently added fragrance to its inventory. It now carries products from fragrance gurus Dolce & Gabana, Versace, Alfred Sung and Ferrari for men.

Morgan adds that makeup isn't just for women anymore. More and more men seem to be interested in setting up consultations and inquiring about skin-care products.

Aside from the studio's retail space in the heart of the Glebe, products can now be purchased online. At www.mostlymakeup.com, one can add new and exciting products to their shopping cart as well as view extensive portfolios of the artists that work in the studio.

Since applying makeup can be likened to performing brain surgery for many people, it's a good thing that Mostly Makeup is around to save the day. There's nothing more tragic than a cosmetic catastrophe.

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In this issue, we'll take a closer look at the Plyo-Interval and Co-ed Pump classes, to see how they can be of benefit to you.

Personal trainer spotlight ...

Liz Lesh

Liz Lesh is a Professional Certified Personal Trainer and Fitness Consultant.

Her certifications include: Personal Trainer YMCA, Sports Performance Institute, Reebok Spin, National Coaching Association, First Aid, and CPR. Liz also attends fitness-related workshops on a regular basis in order to keep her knowledge base up to date. Her services cater to individuals of all ages and fitness levels. Liz welcomes every opportunity as a challenge, seeing the possible where others might see the impossible.

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Ottawa-Carleton Board PD Day - Friday, December 7 from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Winter Camp will run each day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. except for Friday when camp ends at 3:00 p.m. An extended day is available after 4:00 p.m. (except Fridays), at an additional charge.

The cost per day is \$30 for SJCC members and \$45 for non-members. Each additional child, \$20 a day for members and \$25 a day for non-members. Extended day fees available upon request.

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A daughter's tribute to Art the glitter king

By Ellen Gelman

When Anna and Sam Lazear named their eldest son Arthur, they could not have selected a more appropriate name. Art may not have been born with a paintbrush and glitter jar in hand, but these would quickly become the tools of his trade. They would be his constant companions used to create vivid watercolour paintings, murals and graphics.

His passion for art was initiated at Tech High school and gained full momentum after he studied retail merchandising in New York City. When Art returned, he quickly applied his design skills to window display. His reputation for creating amazing backdrops, novel paper mache sculptures, and dramatic signage spread throughout the region. From the fifties through the nineties he decorated the windows of many independent retailers.

In 1956, he joined forces with his talented wife Ann, to produce the first art exhibition of Jewish theme paintings by a husband and wife team in Canada. His paintings of bearded Rabbis, market scenes, and



Art Lazear

Shabbat candles were detailed, bold and colourful.

Art thrived on the diversity of the projects presented to him through display and sign writing. Throughout his adventurous career, which spanned over 50 years, Art would always enter his office at 6 am and enthusiastically await the arrival of his next project. No task was too small or too large, he welcomed every challenge. There was the summer of perpetual signage during the "Save the Grace" campaign, and the Hawaiian murals for the Boy Scout Jamboree in the Maritimes. Create a giant six-foot styrofoam cake for Israel's 50th Birthday ...No

problem! His talents and artistic skills were not only known locally, but internationally as well. Ross Macdonald, who organized 14 technology conferences for CIDA says, "His work has been recognized and appreciated by thousands of visitors to our exhibits who expressed amazement at his ability to work magic with his brushes in several languages."

As a young child I was captivated with the skilful patience my father had to scribe the names of two hundred guests on a giant book. The calligraphy was exquisite for this customized guest list designed for a Bar Mitzvah. I would assist by stapling a ruffled trim around the border. I would later graduate to draping ribbons from the ceilings of banquet halls. He was an amazing mentor leading me to explore the exciting world of Event Decor.

When I met with Joel and Gay Taller to discuss their son Adam's Bar Mitzvah, Joel proudly pulled out a photo from his Bar Mitzvah. Art had created an

ornate tree with all the guests' names beautifully hand lettered on leaves. Each of the Taller sons had magnificent receptions with glittered signs, elaborate murals and distinctive place card displays designed by Art and I, and installed by an enthusiastic decor team.

For Ann and Art's grandchildren celebrating their Bar and Bat Mitzvah, exciting themes featured the fishing and rock collecting worlds, under the sea, and a tropical paradise. One of our fondest family memories was Art in a Hawaiian shirt blowing a conch shell set against a dramatic tropical mural, which he painted.

Art's philanthropic work for the Jewish community was extensive. He donated countless hours of resources and creative services to fundraising efforts. Festive banners and decorations for galas like the Cinderella and Chanukah Balls were provided at reduced rates to help the bottom line. Colourful signs were produced for all of the synagogues and schools for concerts, graduations, holidays,



Oil painting by Art Lazear

and grand opening celebrations. Art's golden touch, like the glitter, which he so generously applied to his work, was contagious. So many people have shared moving stories about the lasting impact Art has made in their lives. His creative

spirit will continue to shine in our memory. This message was powerfully reinforced when I was called to install a glittered sign at the entrance to the annual cultural festival at the SJCC. This sign read ARTS ALIVE.

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How to choose the best school for your child

By Barry Silmer, B.A., M.Ed.

Look for the following when you visit any school you are considering for your child. First, look for a warm, encouraging atmosphere, which will help your child experience maximum growth, not only academically,

but in self-esteem as well. As you visit the school, and talk to school staff, ask yourself: Is the school staff open and approachable? Does their attitude reflect warmth toward people overall and toward children in particular?

Students learn best when expectations are high and teachers believe that all children can and must learn. During your visit, ask teachers what they expect of children. Does the school challenge each student to do his or her personal best? Are academic expectations individualized? What is done to help children who have difficulty meeting the school's expectations?

Ask to visit classrooms in operation. When you visit, look for student's level of engagement in the activity that is going on. If it is a quiet, teacher-directed activity, such as a formal lesson, are students paying close attention? Is the teacher easy to listen to? If you see students working on their own, are they interested and involved in the activity? Even in a noisy activity, talking and movement should be clearly focused and purposeful.

An orderly learning environment is also a key factor in children's success. Is student behaviour in the school under control, yet firm control? If teachers have to correct someone's conduct, is it done quickly, quietly and calmly? Ask about the school's behaviour expectations. Are they clear and reasonable? What is done to help children who have difficulty meeting the behaviour expectations?

Other questions to ask yourself are: Does the school seem organized? What kinds of learning resources are there? Are textbooks current, and plentiful? Does the

appearance of the halls and classrooms reflect high standards and pride in work well done?

At Ramham Maimonides, we are carefully addressing all of the above qualities of an effective school. We have embarked on a new program of general studies that closely follows the Ontario curriculum, especially in the key areas of literacy and numeracy. With the help of very small classes and the most up-to-date learning materials, our teachers challenge each of our students to achieve his or her individual best in a supportive, yet challenging learning environment. You are welcome to call or visit our school, where our staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Mr. Barry Silmer is the new vice-principal and director of general studies at Ramham Maimonides School. He is a veteran educator, principal and vice-principal who has worked extensively in the Ottawa area.



Students participate in Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Service

Yitzhak Rabin High School students participated in the Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Service on October 28 at the SJCC. Four students recited poems written by Israeli students after the Rabin assassination. *My Hero Everyone's Hero* was read in English by Nava Lightstone and in Hebrew by Maya Tobin; and *Memories* was recited in English by Ariel Goldman-Smith and in Hebrew by Barak Davis.

PHOTO: (from left to right) Barak Davis, Ariel Goldman-Smith, Ilana Rabin (teacher), Amir Maimon (Embassy of Israel), Maxine Rabinovitch (executive director) and Maya Tobin.



Community-wide Chanukah Ball



Saturday, December 15

7:30 pm

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Dr. Joe Schwarcz, well-known media personality and university science professor from Montreal, will be speaking in Ottawa on the intriguing topic "The Genie in the Bottle and Related Scientific Tales."

Professor Schwarcz is one of Canada's foremost educators and is the Director of McGill University's Office for Chemistry and Society, which is dedicated to the presentation of scientific information to the public. He also teaches in the chemistry department and lectures on nutrition at McGill's medical school. His entertaining public lec-

tures deal with topics ranging from the chemistry of love to the science of aging.

"Dr. Joe" will host a new television show on the Canadian Discovery Channel in the spring called "Science to Go." He also appears regularly on TV Ontario and Global Television and has a weekly radio phone-in show on Montreal's CJAD. "The Genie in the Bottle," his most recent book, was published in May 2001.

The Greenberg Families Library at the Soloway Jewish Community Centre will host Dr. Schwarcz on Tuesday evening, December 11 at 7:30 pm. The cost is \$4.00 for SJCC and library members, \$6.00 for non-members.

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These are just a few of many volunteer opportunities available in our community.

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'Jewish marketplace' planned for next UJA Ottawa Walkathon

By Shelli Kimmel

The Loblaw UJA Walkathon is one of the major events on the Ottawa Jewish Community calendar. Each year, around the end of May, the community comes together to walk, run, roller blade or bike to help raise funds for those in need here in Ottawa and overseas while experiencing a day of fun and camaraderie.

The planning committee, headed by Roz Fremeth, has already met to brainstorm some new ideas, and excitement is mounting for an expanded, rejuvenated community event. Along with the return of the basics, there will be a full day of activities, something for everyone. The ultimate goal is to create a Jewish Festival (think Greek Festival) here in Ottawa, and the first steps are being taken this year.

Under the umbrella of the Loblaw UJA Walkathon, the morning will include the Walkathon, the increasingly popular Relay Race, and will be expanded to include another athletic event. The community is encouraged to begin the walk together to demonstrate Ottawa's solidarity with Israel. Committee members are determined to capture and build upon the excitement of past walkathons.

Upon returning to the Jewish Community Campus, participants will be greeted by the sights, sounds and

smells of a Jewish Marketplace. There will be sumptuous food, original crafts and artwork, music, and activities for all ages. Everyone is encouraged to come out and delight in the marketplace.

Planning and implementation of this tremendous event will require people power. If you would like to be involved in one of the numerous sub-committees, or are interested in exhibiting

in the Marketplace, please contact Shelli Kimmel in the UJA office at 798-4696 ext. 246. While it may seem far away, spring will arrive quickly, so mark May 26 on your calendar.



AJA 50+ hosts 1st Annual Golf Tournament at the Canadian Golf & Country Club

AJA 50+ scores big with golf group

When Cecily Bregman, co-founder of Active Jewish

Adults 50+ (AJA 50+) moved to Ottawa from Montreal two years ago, her love for the game of golf moved with her.

Unfortunately, her social network associated with the sport did not. So when she assumed the role of Chair for AJA's Fitness, Health and Wellness Committee, she managed to kill two birds with one stone. She organized a golf group, thereby achieving the mandate of her committee while also fulfilling her desire to meet other golf enthusiasts. It didn't take long to discover that many

others in Ottawa's Jewish community shared her enthusiasm for the game.

So it began. Each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., starting last May 16 and continuing through to Labour Day, over 30 people came out to play nine holes at the Canadian Golf & Country Club. The season culminated in a tournament and luncheon held at the Canadian. Requests are already pouring in about signing up for next year's program. Anyone interested in becoming part of AJA's golf group, should contact Cecily Bregman at 232-0110. You must become a member

of AJA 50+ in order to join any program offered by the organization. Memberships to AJA are \$25 each.

Mazal Tov!

It's a girl!

Matt Alison and big sister Abby Caplan are thrilled to announce the birth of Talia Rose, on August 29, 2001, weighing 6 lb 6 oz. Proud grandparents are Phil and Elaine Hauptman and Michael and Sylvia Caplan, all of Ottawa. Talia's Hebrew name, Rachel Eliura, is in loving memory of her great-grandmother Rose Kaner and her great-grandfather Alec Caplan.

Engaged!

Beverly and Irving Swedko are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Pamela Jennifer to Jeremy Rosenberg son of Evelyn Mitchell and Phil and Judy Rosenberg of Toronto.

Engaged!

Ricki and Barry Baker are delighted to announce the engagement of their son Alexander to Rayna, daughter of Elaine and Stan Laiken of Toronto. Proud grandparents are Clare Polonsky of Montreal, Leah Frimerman and Irene Laiken of Toronto.



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Composer Maya Badian celebrates Canada with new CD

By Sharon Abron Drache

Composer Maya Badian, who came to Canada from Romania in 1987, celebrated her adopted country by creating *Cantata Canada* for her 1992 PhD thesis at the University of Montreal.

The late André Prévost was one of the three examiners who gave Ms Badian the highest mark ever received by a graduate student in the history of the university's doctoral program.

Nine years later in Ottawa at the Romanian Embassy, Ambassador Gabriel Gafita and his wife, Ileana, hosted a concert, lecture and reception to celebrate the CD launch which grew out of that thesis entitled: *MultiMusic Conodo: A Legacy for the New Millennium*. But for Ms. Badian, the CD launch was a bittersweet moment.

"The original score was so extravagant that the practicality of performing it to date has been impossible," says Ms. Badian, puckish-looking with her pixie-red haircut hugging her 50ish, youthful face. Nothing stops her, "All my adult life I have



Maya Badian

struggled," she reminds the audience of musicologists, performing artists, and selected public invited by the ambassador.

Gerald Corey, director of Espace Music Concert Society for New Music Society, praised Ms Badian's ingenuity when he introduced her: "Maya wished to have a huge orchestra, and a very large choir, as well as costumes and slides. I told Morris Brott, who led the National Youth Orchestra for their millennial presentation that the score was a natural for the young musicians, but I was too late as Brott had finalized his program. Moved by my interest, Ms

Badian took it upon herself to recreate her original score for a smaller orchestra — only 46 members, without the choir and the multimedia accompaniment she had initially envisaged."

What amazes Gerald Corey is that Ms. Badian succeeded in rendering the signorities of all the instruments to arrive at the same tonal possibilities that existed in her first composition.

Corey added: "I have watched Maya Badian not only as a composer, but as a real friend to some 55 composers in Canada, because in the few years since immigrating here, she has managed on at least three occasions to bring her Canadian colleagues' scores to Eastern Europe, Germany and Italy, where she is in demand as a speaker on the musicologist/composer lecture circuit.

I cannot think of any other composer who would be so generous as to include the rest of the bunch in such a beautiful way."

A year ago, the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* introduced

readers to this exceptionally talented composer. She had dedicated her *Holocaust Symphony — In Memoriam to Elie Wiesel*, after creating the score in 1987, before leaving her native Romania.

The pattern for the Holocaust Symphony reception by the public resembles the pattern for MultiMusic Canada, in that the first performances of both took place in Europe, rather than in Ms. Badian's adopted country.

The world premiere of the Holocaust Symphony — In Memoriam did not happen until June 24, 1995 in Dortmund Germany, under the direction of Peter Gunde, as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations at the end of World War II.

Similarly, after a long wait, the premiere of *MultiMusic Conodo: A Legacy for the New Millennium* happened on June 2, 2001, in Chisinau, Republic of Moldova during the International Festival: "The Days of New Music," performed by the National Orchestra of

Radio/TV-Moldova under the direction of Maestro Gheorghe Mustea. Radio/TV-Moldova recorded the performance, which is on the C.D., launched October 23rd in Ottawa.

MultiMusic Conodo: A Legacy for the New Millennium was born out of Maya Badian's extraordinary ability to synthesize the multitude of distinctive sounds belonging to the culturally diverse groups which make up the Canadian mosaic. "Visually I perceived Canada as a huge garden with everyone living in peace and harmony, and this was the feeling I wished to convey in my music. When I wrote the original *Cantata Canada* for my PhD, I dedicated it to the 125th anniversary of my adopted country."

The version on the CD, *MultiMusic Conodo: A Legacy for the New Millennium* (\$10.00 plus G.S.T.) can be purchased in most music stores where classical recordings are sold, through the Canadian Music Centre in Toronto, or directly from Lucien Bodion Editions in Ottawa: Tel/Fax: 613-798-7433; e-mail: bodion@sympatico.ca.

chaos as it proceeds from the vastness of the country pre-Confederation. Ms. Badian's achievements during the despotic years of the Ceausescu regime enable her to express fresh insights into the challenges and long term goals of Canada's originally disenfranchised First Peoples. Her Francophone and Anglophone sections draw on traditional tunes and folklore, while Canada Today combines the musical contours of all Canadians, urging them to approach the 21st century with a positive attitude. The finale is a grand orchestral fresco based lovingly and with respect, on Canada's national anthem.

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Young couples support Jewish education by buying life insurance

By Estelle Metzer

Jewish education is the cornerstone of Jewish continuity. Parents who make the decision to send their child to Jewish school understand that truth, even though the financial burden is often a struggle.

Some young parents are taking their commitment to Jewish education a step further. They are helping to make Jewish education affordable and accessible for future generations of families in this community.

In the last year, 24 couples have made commitments to leave legacies of approximately \$100,000 each — a total of 2.5 million dollars — to the Gilbert Greenberg Education Fund of the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation. The goal of the GGEF is to provide funding to make Jewish education affordable for every child in our community.

These young couples come from a variety of back-

grounds, and many are far from wealthy. They were able to create their legacy of \$100,000 to the Gilbert Greenberg Education Fund through purchasing life insurance policies and donating them to the GGEF in a unique program subsidized by the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation.

"The concept is really very simple," explained Leon Bronstein, who together with his wife, Doris, is co-chair of the committee promoting the GGEF. "You purchase a \$100,000 life insurance policy naming the GGEF as owner and beneficiary. You pay the annual premiums and receive an annual charitable tax receipt from the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation. The proceeds from the policy will eventually be paid to the GGEF."

For a young couple, a joint insurance policy is very affordable. Depending in age, annual premiums can be

as low as \$319. To make it even more affordable, the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation offers supplements of \$300 annually to help couples pay their premiums. Thus, with the aid of the supplement, a couple can leave a legacy of \$100,000 to support Jewish education by making an annual contribution of as low as \$19 (for which they will receive a charitable tax receipt). In fact, 15 young couples who have purchased life insurance policies are paying an average of \$23 a year, tax deductible.

For the price of a night out at the movies, one can create a gift to Jewish education which will last forever!

While attending services at Machzikei Hadas Congregation, Brian Aarenau heard Rabbi Bulka explain the GGEF life insurance policy program. "It sounded so easy and attractive I thought it would be a great way for me to put my skills to work

on behalf of my community," commented Aarenau, a young financial planner with CIBC Wood Gundy. Using a business term he explained, "I felt I could 'add value to the community.'"

He began a campaign to explain the GGEF to his young friends and clients. His message was simple. You can be a part of something bigger than what you could create on your own. You will be giving to and helping strengthen your own community. Just like in your own personal financial planning, you have to put something away for today and for the future of your community.

Many of the young families Aarenau approached were unfamiliar with the Gilbert Greenberg Education Fund or the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation. When Aarenau explained the concept to them, they were eager to get involved. "It makes them feel part of the community," he commented.

He even convinced some young singles to purchase life insurance policies to benefit the GGEF.

All participants in the GGEF life insurance policy program may, if they wish, establish a fund in their names in the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation without any additional endowment. They and their family and friends can then make contributions to the fund in any amount at any time. All contributions are tax deductible, acknowledged with a gift card and listed on the Foundation pages of the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin*. The interest from their fund will be allocated annually to the GGEF to support Jewish education today.

"The GGEF is a wonderful way for young couples to create a significant legacy to strengthen their community's future," commented Leon Bronstein. "As a bonus, it is also a wonderful way to get young families

more connected to their community."

Today, while they are preoccupied with careers and children, they may not have much time to think about community responsibility. But at a later stage of their lives, their Foundation fund may be a very important community connection which they will take great pride in supporting and passing on. As they see their own children growing into adulthood and think about grandchildren, the Foundation's motivating principle may resonate even more deeply. "As my father planted for me before I was born, so do I plant for those who will come after me."

For more information about participating in the Gilbert Greenberg Education Fund life insurance policy program please call Leon Bronstein (723-7807) or the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation (798-4696, ext. 270).

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News from the Bruise

Ian Sadinsky

Forgive the meaningless title that's been carefully crafted to make you read about my first look at the Ottawa Jewish Men's Hockey League (also to entice several new sets of readers including members of our growing Sephardi community and people looking for more daring recipes from this newspaper!)

At the invitation of Commissioner Jon Braun, I ventured out late one Thursday night to the sports complex at Ottawa U to see my first OJMHL game. First impressions – good skating, great goaltending (more on that later), and you can't tell the players without a programme, except for Chuck "Ice Pick" Schachnow who towers over all the rest of the players – our own Zdeno Chera! (By the way Chuck's son, Josh, towers over the kids at the SJCC Sunday floor hockey program, and sister Taylor, also a player, is not far behind).

Chuck is one of three athletes (the other two are Alex Epel and Jeremy Goldfarb) who also play in the Jewish men's basketball and softball leagues (nice to have the free time) and Dave Feldberg is a puckster who also hoops it up the night before in the JMHL. Other top two-sport athletes (hockey and softball) are Robbie Krantzberg, Ted Granovsky, and the Seller brothers, Huey, Dewey, and Louie (I mean Barry, Danny, and Freddy). Golf legend (in progress) David Ross and multi-sport talent Mark Shore also strap on the gear Thursday nights to chase the hard rubber.

To my surprise, a number of community leaders also take time from their busy schedules to indulge in the national pastime. Vaad Executive Director Mitch Bellman, community activists Roger Greenberg and Arnie Vered, top lawyers Greg

Sanders and Lawrence Weinstein, all get a chance to do some real arm-twisting (although unlike the UJA, the OJMHL frowns on any form of contact).

In the geezer department, the league features over-50's Jeff Sherman and Ted Granovsky, as well as 58-year-old "rookie" Alan "I'm going to be 59 soon" Cracowier, who Commissioner Braun tells me is not only a great player but "the Bruiser of the hockey league." Hard to believe, since he is one of the nicest people I have ever met. Reminds me of the old song by the Animals, "Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood."

Youngest player is 16-year-old goalie Jesse "the Body" Granovsky who has held the opposition to only five goals in his first three games. In an exclusive interview with the Bruiser, young Granovsky not surprisingly said, "Who the hell are you?", looking to his father for re-assurance while talking with the stranger he had obviously been trained to avoid. Great parenting Ted!

Oh the score of the game? 1-1. With Jim Carrere (a dentist in Casselman) scoring for Artistic Home Renovation and Darren Kudrino scoring for District Realty.

Hockey and Judaism – the Missing Link

You have to stay with me on this one.

In an unusual twist, the four captains in the JMHL this year are Howard Feder, Mitch Miller, Danny Seller, and Eric Zunder. If you look closely you will see that each of their surnames has two syllables and ends in the letters "er".

Puzzled by this coincidence, I started looking through the Jewish phone book and found that there are a number of surnames which fit this description – Acker,

Adler, Alter, Baker, Belfer, Berger, Besner, Cader etc. (you do the rest).

So what gives?

According to the Bruiser, the "E" is the fifth letter of the alphabet – the five books of the Torah. The "R" is the eighteenth letter – Chai for life. The two syllables suggest a need for balance, something that is important in hockey. If you want to be a leader (two syllables, er), in hockey and in life you need to combine both the physical and the spiritual.

Did someone say Bruiser? And you thought this was just a sports column!

Toronto Fan Club checks in

Got a call from Hogtown (you'll pardon the expression) from Phil Gennis who said he enjoyed my "come-back column". "The Bulletin is one of the few links I have to Ottawa", said Gennis who is a bankruptcy lawyer in T.O. ("kind of like a Chevra Kadisha for businesses"). Lots of other good feedback from readers old and new. Keep it coming. It's nice to know that someone is reading this stuff.

That's the news from the Bruise.

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Art Works / Rose Ann Hoffenberg

Chaim Soutine, Valet, 1927-8. The Denver Art Museum

This is my final account of the magnanimous, Sara Lee Corporation, millennium gift to museums around the world. The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, the New Orleans Museum of Art, the Van Gogh Museum, The Art Institute of Chicago, Palais Saint-Pierre, the Israel Museum, The Cincinnati Art Museum and The Denver Art Museum are just a few of the Corporation's beneficiaries. The latter two institutions received two canvases by Chaim Soutine – *View of Céret* and *Valet*.

Valet is part of a group of paintings of young men and boys who wear the uniform of their trade and are identified in the title of the painting. Soutine portrays pastry cooks, *valets de chambre*, waiters, grooms, pageboys, musicians and choirboys, yet never are these figures shown working. The sitters are represented alone against a background of fairly uniform colour that functions to isolate them from others and from a specific place. Hence, they are represented as 'types' rather than individuals. The sitter in this canvas is one of a series of boys with thin faces, sharply pointed chins, long noses, and protruding ears.

There is an empathy between the artist and his sitters – as Soutine experienced much violence during his childhood, so these working-class boys were often mistreated by their families and employers. The valet (see photograph) looks vulnerable in his solitary frontal pose, and a close look at the high colouring (blood-red) in his cheeks and ears, suggests the boy has been slapped. This painting can be interpreted as a self-portrait. Soutine, born in 1893, left

an abused environment in Lithuania to attend art school in Minsk and Vilna, before moving to Paris in July of 1913. He never left France but died on the run from the Nazis in 1943.

Valet is the first work by Soutine to enter the permanent collection of the Denver Art Museum as is the *View of Céret* of 1919-20, the first to enter the collection of The Cincinnati Art Museum. The latter museum made a commitment to modern European painting by lending their support to the Jewish Museum in their latest retrospective exhibition of Chaim Soutine's works. The expressive *View of Céret* was part of that exhibition.

The painting was also one of 52 works purchased by the great American collector Albert Barnes, in 1922. Barnes, Soutine's first patron, transformed the artist's reputation overnight from that of being relatively unknown, to being the darling of Montparnasse with many patrons seeking his works. *View of Céret* was one of hundreds of paintings made in the Franco-Spanish mountain town of Céret, where the artist lived for three years. The landscape echoes the intensity of his portraits with its writhing contours and convulsive composition. And yet, its visceral energy should be seen to anticipate abstract expressionism of the 1950s, rather than reflecting the artist's troubled nature.

My last four articles have emphasized the generosity of the Sara Lee Corporation and its founder Nathan Cummings. Paintings by Rouault, Chagall, Pissarro and Soutine have now found homes in



Chaim Soutine, *Valet*, 1927-8; The Denver Art Museum

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Canada's political left has it wrong on terrorism



How I see it

Bob Dale

I'm upset with some of my friends on Canada's political left.

Some of the things they have been saying since September 11 show a serious misunderstanding of what is at stake in the war against terrorism.

As an example, consider what Linda McQuaig wrote in a recent *National Post* column. Let me put that column and its author in context. McQuaig is an extremely intelligent woman with several best-selling books on economic and social policy under her belt. I've read them all, and I've also met McQuaig. She and I spoke at length about economics, politics, and other topics when I drove her to a seminar a few years back, and I was extremely impressed. That says a lot, since I've been known to judge people pretty harshly.

But I wasn't impressed with McQuaig's *National Post* column, except for the way it began, by stating that the perpetrators of the September 11 crimes must be brought to justice. Then she lost me, when she went on to say that the attempt to turn this into a war against terrorism was blatantly wrong.

The reason, according to her, was that this plays into the terrorists' hands by escalating the hatred, destroying any room for compromise, and creating a holy war between two irreconcilable alternatives. McQuaig also said that the terrorist acts in New York and Washington were part of a long pattern of violence and vengeance, and went on to blame the United States, Israel and others for past actions she said were instrumental in attracting recruits to the terrorist cause.

Wrong wrong wrong. I don't think McQuaig and others who have said similar things grasp that in this war, there is no room for compromise. Compromises come about when two opponents have an interest in reaching mutually agreeable objectives. For example, although employers and employees often have widely divergent views when they sit down to negotiate a contract, both have a vital interest in ensuring that things get settled to their mutual satisfaction.

When that happens, both gain.

In the war against terrorism, things are different. According to U.S. President Bush, the goal of the campaign is to rid the world of terrorism and terrorists. He has no quarrel with particular people, ways of government, religions, or value systems, except to the extent that they commit or support acts of terrorism.

According to Osama bin Laden, the war is between civilizations. One the one side, there are the believers who follow bin Laden's views of radical Islam. I'm not an expert, but from what I've detected since September 11 and before (when outrages were committed in Israel in the name of Islam), radical Islam apparently includes a doctrine that says that you can enter paradise by killing innocent people.

On the other side, says bin Laden, are the infidels, whose way of life must not only be personally rejected, but also eliminated wherever it currently exists. The ranks of these infidels include the United States and other countries whose societies lack the moral principles bin Laden and his supporters say are set out in the Koran. The fact that such societies, despite their acknowledged faults, attach a high value to things like human life, human rights, sexual equality, prosperity, and freedom of religion seem irrelevant to bin Laden, who also lumps members of particular religions, like Christians and Jews, into the infidel category.

Putting these two world-views side by side, I wonder where McQuaig sees room for compromise. I still haven't heard seemingly "moderate" Muslim leaders, even here in Ottawa, publicly and unequivocally condemn the "radical" view. If moderates don't call for compromise and a re-thinking of extreme positions to encompass others whose world-view is different than theirs, who will?

Let's talk about the hatred McQuaig refers to. No question about it, hatred is a key element in the terrorist mix. We've witnessed the hatred in New York and Washington, but we've also seen it when suicide bombers appear at a Jerusalem restaurant or delegates attend a UN conference in Durban. But the hatred didn't start when the bombing began, and it won't end when it stops. It's ingrained, and for a very basic reason.

Hatred is a deliberate strategy used by certain countries to deflect criticisms away from their own regimes. In those countries, a handful of people fortu-

nate enough to have been born into the right family possess untold riches, based on geography and oil, while millions of poor people lead destitute lives. There is a direct parallel with the Palestinians, who blame Israel for keeping people in refugee camps or oppressing them on the West Bank and Gaza. While Israel's record isn't squeaky clean, surely the main blame lies with the Arab and Palestinian leadership. With their vast riches, and their billions of dollars of U.S. aid, they could (after 53 years) do something to rectify this deplorable situation - if they really wanted to. But it's easier to blame the United States, or the Jews, and incite your young people to hate *them* instead of you. After all, if they hated you, how long would you remain in power, and possess your riches? If you had a Palestinian state, and there were free elections, would the people really elect you?

A final issue is McQuaig's criticism of Israel. I'm tired of criticisms like this, which I put in the same category as attempts to blame rape victims when they are attacked. Israel engages in actions against Palestinian Arabs in reaction to Palestinian atrocities, which are usually carried out against innocent civilians. While civilians have been injured and even killed when Israel responds to terror, this has usually occurred as a highly regrettable by-product of an attack on a specific military target. Some people see this as part of a "cycle of violence", or as yet another example of Israeli oppression. I see it as defending your life against somebody who finds frequent and ever more innovative ways of trying to take it away. As a result of what has happened over the past year, shouldn't it be obvious to the left and everybody else that the Palestinian leadership's true objective isn't a negotiated peace with Israel, but the out-and-out end of Israel as a Jewish state?

So yes, the Canadian political left, whose views I have supported and even been responsible for promoting, in part, over the years, has turned me off with its views about the war against terrorism. I think they've got it totally wrong, and I've never said that about them before, even when I've questioned policy stances they've taken on particular issues. Nobody likes a war, but in this case, I think it's the only alternative we have.

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Chanukah 2: Miracles galore

Kid Lit

Deanna Silverman

In keeping with the spirit of Chanukah, several recent holiday books feature miracles galore. Here are three examples:

The Magic Menorah
A Modern Chanukah Tale

By Jane Breskin Zalben
Illustrated by Donna Diamond
Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers 2001
56 pp. Ages 7-10

Hot off the press, *The Magic Menorah* is a funny, easy-to-read, short chapter book enhanced by several small pen and ink illustrations. Its theme, the importance of family and Jewish values, is delightfully portrayed thanks to a fast-talking Jewish genie with attitude named Fishel.

Twelve-year-old Stanley is not looking forward to the onslaught of relatives who will be coming over to celebrate the first night of Chanukah. Still, he helps his mother prepare and carries on when she suddenly has to run to the store.

Fishel poofs onto the scene when Stanley is alone in the house, polishing Great-Uncle Velvel's brass menorah to a high shine. The menorah had been stored in the attic for over 50 years. It was being brought out this Chanukah because Grandpa Abe had requested it.

Fishel offers Stanley the traditional three wishes. How he grants them, however, is truly unique. Also unique among genies are Fishel's Yiddish-flavoured speech, the riddles he asks, the relationship he develops with Stanley, and their time travel to the family's past in Romania.

By the time Grandpa Abe gives Stanley this very special menorah, Stanley understands the value of both the gift and his family. *The Magic Menorah*, complete with glossary, is a super little book that will be read, with chortles and chuckles, again and again.

Moishe's Miracle
A Hanukkah Story

By Laura Krauss Melmed
Illustrated by David Slonim

HarperCollins Publishers 2000
Unpaged Ages 4-8

Moishe's Miracle is a mouth-watering, humorous picture book written as an East European folktale. It features Moishe, a poor but kind milkman, his scolding wife, Baila, talking cows, a mysterious stranger, a no-ingredients-needed frying pan, latkes galore, and nasty little demons.

Echoing Sholom Aleichem's Tevye and his dream of becoming a rich man, *Moishe's Miracle* makes that dream come true, sort of. That is only if Moishe himself uses the gift a stranger buried in the straw in his cowshed and only if wealth is counted in latkes.

Like Tevye, Moishe too has a dream. When he acts on it, Baila decides to get her hands on the frying pan. Disaster! What next? Horrors and more miracles beautifully depicted in energetic, full-color illustrations that amplify every aspect of this gloriously charming tall tale.

Moishe's Miracle concludes with a brief explanation of Chanukah and a glossary of the Yiddish and Hebrew words used in the story.

The Chanukah Blessing

By Peninnah Schram
Illustrated by Jeffrey Allon
UACH Press 2000
Unpaged Ages 4-8

The Chanukah Blessing, an original story, is also written in folklore style. It takes place in an East European town on the fifth night of Chanukah. A stranger suddenly walks into town. After looking around he knocks on a particular cottage door.

Why that door? In the tradition of Elijah stories, hospitality to strangers despite poverty is a key ingredient as is the stranger's true identity not being realized until after he has disappeared. Jeffrey Allon's full-color illustrations generally enhance the story's setting and tone. The stranger radiates warmth and caring. I especially liked Allon's depiction of the phrase "it seemed as if his long white beard grew twice as wide and formed many shapes."

Unfortunately some of the facial expressions, especially on the girls, are dis-



From *The Chanukah Blessing*

torted and, to me, disturbing. I found they detracted from the simple beauty of the story's secondary theme, doing *mitzvot* with love.

Still, master storyteller and author Peninnah Schram's gentle narrative makes this book a winner. *The Chanukah Blessing* concludes with a note about Elijah, the recipe for "Mama's Latke-Kugel" and, generously, a bibliography of more Elijah stories.

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A delicious Chanukah meal for the family to enjoy



Soup to Nuts

Donna Karlin

Chanukah is almost here and it's time to plan what kind of latkes to make this year; whether or not to make the traditional potato latkes or to use half carrot, half potato for a bit of a change and a slightly sweeter taste. The carrot potato latkes go very well with the glazed pickled brisket that has a hint of orange, and steamed fresh green beans, sugar snap peas or stir fried broccoli rounds out the colour and flavours for a meal pleasing to the eye and palate. End it with Chanukah Apple Fritters and your meal is complete! Wishing you and yours a very happy Chanukah!

Glazed Pickled Brisket

4-5 lb pickled brisket
1 tsp. dry mustard
2 Tbsp. prepared mustard
3 Tbsp. vinegar
1/3 cup ketchup
Finely grated rind of 1 orange
1/3 cup brown sugar
1 cup juice from the boiled meat

Place brisket in a large pot. Cover with water, pour out water, cover again with water and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until fork tender, about 3 to 4 hours. Remove from pot, reserve some liquid for glaze. Combine remaining ingredients, except juice from meat. Place brisket in a roasting pan and spread with the glaze. Pour the reserved juice from the meat around the brisket. Bake uncovered for 40 minutes at 350°. Slice thinly and serve. This can be prepared ahead of time and frozen. Defrost before reheating.

Carrot Potato Latkes

Oil for frying
2 cups shredded peeled potato
2 cups shredded carrot
1/2 cup chopped scallions
1 Tbsp. chopped fresh chives
3 Tbsp. flour
4 eggs, beaten
1 tsp. salt or to taste
Freshly ground pepper

After grating potato, rinse well in colander. Squeeze as dry as possible. Place in bowl. Combine with the grated carrot. Mix in remaining ingredients except oil for frying. Mix very well. Heat 1/4" oil in heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Using 1/3 cup mixture for each latke, form patties about 2" in size. Fry on both sides until golden brown. Drain well on brown paper or paper towels. Serve hot. Can be made ahead of time and frozen in a single layer on waxed paper lined cookie sheet. Reheat in hot oven (400°) until heated all the way through. Do not defrost before reheating.

Chanukah Apple Fritters

2 eggs
1 1/2 cups orange juice
2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1/2 cup sugar
3 large, firm apples, very thinly sliced
Vegetable oil for frying
Icing sugar

Combine eggs and orange juice in large bowl. Combine flour, baking powder and sugar in another bowl. Add to egg mixture and mix well. Add thinly sliced apples, breaking them up further as you mix into mixture in bowl. Heat oil in skillet. Drop batter by spoonfuls into hot oil and fry on both sides until golden. Drain well on paper towels or brown paper bags. Sprinkle with icing sugar and serve.



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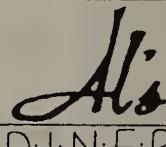
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View from Israel

Jonathan Herland

Though it may have been the bright lights and rows of colourful carnival booths that caught my attention, I tend to think it was the Chassidic music blaring on the loudspeakers in the corner, which made me beeline to the other side of Rabin Square in Tel Aviv. "What was all the fuss about?" I wondered as I approached the tables filled with greenery. I quickly discovered that I had stumbled onto a "Sukkah Fair"!

Under the watchful eye of the ubiquitous Starbucks Coffee Siren across the street at Israel's trendiest new coffee shop/cultural import, vendors from around the country had gathered to sell *Lulavim*, *Etrogs*, *Myrtle*, and *Willow*.

The fair was organized like a farmer's market, with each vendor occupying a wooden booth in the far corner of Rabin Square. Each stall took on a fanciful name describing the origin and quality of their wares. "Arba Minim Shomron" (Four Species of Samaria), boasted one stall. "Mercaz Eshrogay Yisrael" (Israel Etrog Center), proclaimed another. Shoppers crowded around "Lulav Safon" (Northern Lulav), and my personal favourite "Shomrei Mitzvot V'Dat Lulav Mehadrin Min HaMadarin" (Keepers of Mitzvot and Religion, Strictly, Strictly Kosher Lulavim).

As I watched the customers carefully inspect the merchandise and haggle over prices with the vendors at this once-a-year marketplace, I was quickly swept up by the excitement

of it all. Some shoppers were fanatically obsessed with the quality of the *Lulavim* and *Etrogs*, and asked other customers for their opinions. Others were more intent on striking a bargain, taking into account any shortcomings or blemish. "Hey Shimmy, this one is bruised! Sell it to me for less!"

I couldn't help but draw comparisons to Christmas tree shopping. After all these years of having been left out of the annual Gentile ritual of carefully selecting the "perfect" tree, I had finally found the Jewish equivalent! Although I had never before bought a *Lulav* or *Etrog*, I jumped at the chance to participate in this elaborate custom.

As I trotted around the Sukkah Fair, going from booth to booth, I soon discovered that the goal of each vendor was to try to sell you a full-package deal, what they refer to in Hebrew as a "set". "Ata Ratzeh SET?" The vendors aggressively fought for business, trying to convince shoppers that their particular goods were the best. At one booth, the black-hat Orthodox-garbed vendor assured everyone that his *Etrogs* were of the highest rabbinical kosher certification. Unfortunately for him, that long cigarette dangling from his mouth ruined his credibility. In my mind, he might as well have had a piece of bacon dangling from his mouth.



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I quickly moved on.

Other vendors exuded that intangible pushy carnival bark-er/big box stereo store salesmanship. At times, it seemed like I was shopping for a used car instead of ritual religious objects.

Finally, I stumbled upon a pleasant booth, where a helpful vendor put together an affordable package. (\$20 for everything). Okay, so my *Etrog* was pretty sorry looking, and my *Lulav* had bruising on the green spine, but at least my *Hadar* and *Arav* were *Ba'datz Kosher* (Strictly Kosher). After all these years of feeling left out, not having had a Christmas tree in Canada, I proudly hauled my *Lulav* and *Etrog* home on the bus, stopping at every store on the way home, just to provoke strangers into noticing my new purchase. Any lingering feelings of Christmas tree deprivation quickly vanished. I had my very own *Lulav*.

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The Al and Betty Segal Memorial Fund commemorates love of family

By Estelle Melzer

The Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of the Al and Betty Segal Memorial Fund. The fund was established by the Segals' children, Shelley Goldenberg, Ned Segal and Rosalee Bottner to honour the memory of their parents.

Betty and Al Segal were married for 61 years. Betty passed away in November 1999. Her deeply devoted husband, Al, died in April 2001.

The traditional Jewish message of condolence is "may their memory be a blessing." When the Segal children talk about their parents, it is clear that their memory is a deeply cherished blessing.

"Our parents lived lives of exceptional family devotion and love," Ned Segal recalled.

"They created a wonderful family life. Their kindness towards each other and everyone they encountered distinguished their entire lives," Shelley Goldenberg continued. "We felt that establishing a Foundation fund to enrich the community would be the best way to perpetuate their values which were, quite simply, home, family and religion."

Al and Betty were both born in Montreal and moved to Ottawa in the late 1930s. Their four children, Rosalee, Ned, Shelley and Larry (who is deceased) were born in Ottawa and there are now eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Segals approached all of life's challenges as a team. In the early years of their marriage, Al was a travelling salesman for beauty products and equipment. Betty would travel with him and provide the demonstrations of his product line.

When they started their family, Al stopped travelling and opened a general dry goods store in Hull, called Federal Outfitters. He never refused a family in need and

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Al and Betty Segal

always extended credit, just as he never refused a request for tzedakah by visiting rabbis and charitable organizations.

However, business was never an end in itself. For Al, it was a means to sustain his family and contribute to his community. He was a member of the original Murray Street synagogue and was involved in the establishment of Congregation Machzikei Hadass. A hard worker, his style was to stay out of the spotlight and do for others in a modest, quiet way. It was an approach ideally suited to the Hebrew Free Loan Society, where he served for many years as an executive member and later vice-president.

Betty was a life member of Hadassah and a member of the old JCC choir. She had a beautiful voice and was always willing to perform for various groups and functions.

The Al and Betty Segal Memorial Fund will help support Hillel Lodge and Tamir Foundation, two charities which reflect the Segals' traditional Jewish values of helping those in need.

"We hope to use this fund in our parents' memory on a regular basis to commemorate happy events in our family and at the same time to strengthen the future of our community" said Shelley Goldenberg.

To find out how you can establish a fund in memory of a loved one, please call the Foundation office (798-4696, ext. 272).

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Best wishes to Diane Jusko on her birthday by Jeff and Rhea Hochstatter and family.

HOLocaust CONTINUING EDUCATION FUND

IN HONOUR OF VALERIE AND MENDEL GDDD

Mazal Tov to Menel and Valerie Good on their move to Toronto by Edie and Erwin Koranyi; and by Libby and Sam Katz.

DOROTHY AND HY HYMES ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Ada Cohen by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.

In memory of Clara Ropells by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.

In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.

Mazal Tov to Cantor and Mrs. Levinson on the marriage of their son by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.

AVRAHAM AND ELISSA INY FAMILY FUND

Best wishes to Linda Lipsky on her special birthday by Avraham and Elissa Iny and Michael and Daniel.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a beloved father Moses Greenberg by Elissa Iny.

In memory of Sam Slack by Elissa and Avraham Iny.

In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Elissa and Avraham Iny.

In memory of Esther Shayndel Levinson by Elissa and Avraham Iny.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES FUND

Mazal Tov to Cayla and Michael Baylin on their 35th anniversary by Avraham and Elissa Iny and Michael and Daniel.

JEWISH YOUTH LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to Barry and Devorah Friedman on the marriage of their son Moshe by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

In memory of Solika Benito by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

In appreciation to Rivka Finkelstein by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

In appreciation to Mark Wolynetz by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

In appreciation to Nina Davidson by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

Yasher Koch to Shirley Schildkraut by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

Mazal Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. M. Berger on the marriage of their daughter Bassi to Chaim by Devorah and Joseph Caytak.

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In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Rose and Max Kalman.

In memory of Sylvia Aron by Rose and Max Kalman.

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In memory of Solina Benito by Rose and Chick Taylor.

In memory of Max Wollock by Rose and Chick Taylor.

In memory of Mildred Viner by Rose and Chick Taylor.

KERSHMAN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to Stanley Kershman on the publication of his book by Percy and Shelley Ostroff, Rachael and Rebecca; and by Leslie Gracar.

CLARE AND ABE KEVANSTEIN ENDOWMENT FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a loving father and grandfather Louis Steinberg, Tevel, by Clare Kevanstein and Sharon Harris.

ARTHUR AND SARAH KIMMEL ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to Stanley Kershman on the birth of their granddaughter Lila by Rose and Chick Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Linda and Archie Cogan on their daughter Lila's Bar Mitzvah by Roslyn and Amie Kimmel and family.

Mazal Tov to Roz and Amie Kimmel on the marriage of their daughter Lisa to Adam by Betty and Ed Rose and family, and by Sarah and Milton Shaffer.

In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Isabel and Norman Lesh.

KLAIMAN - FINE FAMILY FUND

Wishing the Klaiman - Fine family a happy and healthy New Year by Joseph and Devorah Caytak.

Wishing Dr. Clyde Court continued good health by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Peter Cobrin by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Esther Shayndel Levinson by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Esther Ross by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Daniel Scarowsky by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of David Steinberg's father by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Max Wollock by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Daniel Scarowsky by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Peter Cobrin by Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

In memory of Esther Shayndel Levinson by Edie and Erwin Koranyi.

Mazal Tov to Gladys and John Greenberg on the birth of their granddaughter by Edie and Erwin Koranyi.

In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Edie and Erwin Koranyi.

In memory of Max Bimbaum by Edie and Erwin Koranyi.

Mazal Tov to Herb and Sharon Gray on the marriage of their son by Edie and Erwin Koranyi.

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In memory of Max Wolyn

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In memory of Art Lazar by Gertrude Marks.

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In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Marion and Shlomo Mayman.

Mazel Tov to Beverly and Irving Swedko on the engagement of their daughter Pamela to Jeremy Rosenberg by Marion and Shlomo Mayman.

Mazel Tov to Sol and Shayna Shuster on the birth of their grandson by Marion and Shlomo Mayman.

Mazel Tov to Caryla and Michael Baylin on the engagement of their son Gregory by Marion and Shlomo.

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Best wishes to Pearl Moskovic on her special birthday by Ruth and Irving Aaron.

Wishing Ruth and Hy Calif's grandson Ethan a happy Shabbat by Pearl and David Moskovic.

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Mazel Tov to Erica Weinstein on her Bat Mitzvah by Charles and Cindy Schachnow and family.

Mazel Tov to Sharon and Lawrence Weinstein on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Enca by Charles and Cindy Schachnow and family.

DOROTHY AND NERBERT NADOLNY FUNDATION N

Mazel Tov to Dorothy and Herb Nadolny on the Bar Mitzvah of their granddaughters Erica Weinstein and Carolyn Cherner by Ben and Marjorie Achbar; and by Julius and Clair Kranzberg.

Mazel Tov to Ellen and Ron Cherner on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Carolyn by Clair and Julius Kranzberg.

Mazel Tov to Sharon and Lawrence Weinstein on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Erica by Clair and Julius Kranzberg.

In memory of Sylvia Aron by Sally and Elliott Levitan.

JEAN AND MAX NAEMARK ENDOWMENT FUND

Best wishes to Jean Naemark on her special birthday by Bea Tororow and family.

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In memory of Daniel Scarsky by Adele and Jeffrey Sidney, by George and Tyra Marcus; and by Janet and Norman Ironstone; by Sidney and Geri Goldstein and family; and by Ian and Estelle Meitzer and family.

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In memory of Ada Cohen by Adele and Jeffrey Sidney.

MARTIN GLATT PARLIAMENT LODGE B'NAI BRITH PAST PRESIDENTS' FUND

In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by B'nai Brith Past Presidents Lodge #2159.

Mazel Tov to Sara and Zev Vered on their 50th anniversary by B'nai Brith Past Presidents Lodge #2159.

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In long memory of Miriam and Joseph Petigorsky by Esther and Danny Abeles.

HARRY AND BERTHA PLEET MEMORIAL FUND

Mazel Tov to Joe, Becky and Brenda Loff on the birth of a grandson and nephew by Pinchas and Barbara Pleet.

JACK AND MIRIAM PLEET ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Max Gold by Jack and Miriam Pleet.

Mazel Tov to Minam Pleet on her special birthday by Ben and Marjorie Achbar.

NANCY AND LARRY PLEET ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Howard Spungin by Hy and Rose Roodman.

BESSIE AND BENJAMIN POLDWIN MEMORIAL FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a beloved father Benjamin Polow by Alex and Kathleen Polowin.

GDLDIE AND ALBERT RIVERS ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Mr. A. Lopes' sister by Goldie and Albert Rivers.

In memory of Sylvia Aron by Goldie and Albert Rivers.

In Appreciation

Many came forward to offer sympathy and condolences after the untimely loss of our dear son, father, husband and brother Howard Spungin. He touched many lives in both Ottawa and Montreal and his memory will be in our hearts forever. Please accept this as our personal thank you to our many friends and relatives who are supporting us with their phone calls, generous donations in his memory and other deeds of kindness at this time.

Janice Pleet, Jonah Spungin, Sam Spungin, Hal Spungin and Helen Sadovnick

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In memory of Monis Berliner by Stephen and Sue Rothman and Sheldon and Connie Taylor.

SHELLEY AND SID RDTHMAN FAMILY FUND

In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Shelley and Sid Rothman and family.

In memory of Cecily Wiseman by Shelley and Sid Rothman and family.

In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Shelley and Sid Rothman and family.

In memory of Moe Rosenthal by Shelley and Sid Rothman and family.

RUTH SADAVA MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Harry Sigler by William Bloom.

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Best wishes to Dorothy and Leslie Martin on their 25th anniversary by Paula and Manny Aguhnik.

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Welcoming Marty and Terry Davis and family to Ottawa and wishing them well with Tami and Gregory Sanders and family.

NARRY AND FRANCES SAXE ENDOWMENT FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a beloved husband, father, and grandfather Harry Saxe by Frances Saxe and family.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a beloved brother Saul Claiman by Frances Saxe and family.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a beloved brother David Claiman by Frances Saxe and family.

AL AND BETTY SEGAL MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Cecily Wiseman by Shelley and Martin Goldenberg and family.

In memory of Peter Cobrin by Shelley and Martin Goldenberg and family.

In memory of Sam Slack by Shelley and Martin Goldenberg and family.

HAROLD SNAPPER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Harry Sigler by Frances Shaffer, Dorothy Shaffer, and Rhea Wohl.

ABRAHAM AND NELLIE SHAPIRD MEMORIAL FUND

Mazel Tov to Elaine and Daniel Shapiro on their 40th wedding anniversary by Carol-Sue and Jack Shapiro and family.

Mazel Tov to David and Judith Kalin in their new home by Carol-Sue and Jack Shapiro and family.

DR. EDWARD I. SNAPID MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Dr. Edward I. Shapiro by Amy Freedman and Jon Amolawson; and by Rose and Chick Taylor.

SYLVIA AND HARRY SHERMAN MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Esther Shayndl Levinson by Louis Sherman.

In memory of Art Lazar by Louis Sherman.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of my dear parents Sylvia and Harry Sherman by Louis Sherman.

ISRAEL AND JENNIE SHINDER ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Dr. Lucien Siwell's mother by Jack Shinder and Yaffa Greenbaum and family.

In memory of Solika Benilo by Jack Shinder and Yaffa Greenbaum and family.

Mazel Tov to Raymond and Natalie Stern on the birth of their grandson by Jack Shinder and Yaffa Greenbaum and family.

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In memory of Art Lazar by Anne and Sol Shmelzer.

Mazel Tov to Anne and Sol Shmelzer on their 24th anniversary by their family.

Best wishes to Ronald Singer on his special birthday by Anne and Sol Shmelzer.

Mazel Tov to Linda Steinberg on the birth of her grandson by Anne and Sol Shmelzer.

SAMUEL AND KATHERINE SIGLER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Harry Sigler by Stuart Levine.

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In memory of Hy Mendelson by Myra and Lester Aronson

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In memory of Andy Sheridan by Marlene Levine and Andrew Simon.

SAM AND SUE SLACK ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Sam Slack by Rose and Chick Taylor; by Karen, Harry, Brandon and Matt Presser; by Gert Budovich; and by Miriam and Ben Weingensberg.

Mazel Tov to Estelle Gunter on being honoured by Hadassah-WIZO by Seymour and Joy Mender, Jess, David and Jared; and by Sharon and David Appolito, Ryan, Jaye and Brody Mender.

NARRET AND IRVING SLDNE ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazel Tov to Dorothy and Ben Greenberg on their special wedding anniversary by Harriet and Irving Stone.

Mazel Tov to Ethel and Irving Taylor on their special wedding anniversary by Harriet and Irving Stone.

JACK AND LINDA SMITH ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazel Tov to Irwin Brode on the publication of his book "Lichens of North America" by Jack and Linda Smith.

Mazel Tov to Abe and Cynthia Io on the marriage of their son Eric to Annette Faynachs by Leiba and Robert Kranzberg and family.

Mazel Tov to Herb and Dorothy Nadolny on the Bar Mitzvah of their granddaughter Erica Weinstein and Carolyn Cherner by Leiba and Robert Kranzberg and family.

Mazel Tov to Ellen and Ron Cherner on the Bar Mitzvah of their daughter Carolyn by Leiba and Robert Kranzberg and family.

Mazel Tov to Sharon and Laurie Weinstein on the Bar Mitzvah of their daughter Erica by Leiba and Robert Kranzberg and family.

Mazel Tov to Sheba and Gordie Schmidt on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Benjamin by Leiba and Robert Kranzberg and family.

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Best wishes to Buddy Steinberg on his birthday by Maik and Cindi Resnick and family.

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Best wishes to Randi Shinder on her birthday by Jenny and Jack Shinder and family.

Mazel Tov to the Feldberg family on the birth of their daughter Dahlia by Jenny and Jason Shinder and family.

Best wishes to Shira Iny on her birthday by her friends at Ganon Preschool.

Best wishes to Nathaniel Bengugu on his birthday by his friends at Ganon Preschool.

Best wishes to Kaitlyn Pressman on her birthday by her friends at Ganon Preschool.

Best wishes to Tara Sabloff on her birthday by her friends at Ganon Preschool.

Best wishes to Kaitlyn Morrell on her birthday by her friends at Ganon Preschool.

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Mazel Tov to Jean Myers and James Glen on the birth of their son Colin by the board and staff of the Ottawa Jewish Community Council; by the Board and Staff of the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation; by the Board and Staff of the United Jewish Appeal; by the Board and Staff of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin.

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Mazel Tov to Rabbi Bulka on being the first recipient of the Scouts Canada Salute Award by Gary and Sharon Steinberg and family.

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In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Thelma Steinman.

In memory of Sam Millman by Thelma Steinman.

WILLIAM "BILL" STEINBERG MEMRIAL FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a dearly beloved husband William "Bill" Goldenberg by Judith Goldenberg.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a dear cousin William "Bill" Goldenberg by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

In appreciation to Mervin Blinstein by Judith Goldenberg.

In appreciation to Eddie Salsive by Judith Goldenberg.

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Mazel Tov to Julian Wolfe on his 60th birthday by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

Mazel Tov to Susan Trimble on her new promotion by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

Mazel Tov to cousins Marvin and Esther Blinstein on their 50th wedding anniversary by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

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In appreciation to Myke Cober by Laya and Ted Jacobsen.

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In memory of Sylvia Aron by Phyllis and Max Sternthal.

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In observance of the Yahrzeit of our beloved son Jay B. Taller by Sally and Morton Taller.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of a dear brother and father Jack Rodman by Sally and Morton Taller.

SAMUEL AND ANNE TALLER ENDOWMENT FUND

Best wishes to Jeff and Rhoda Simbrow on their special birthdays by aunt Sally and uncle Morton Taller.

In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Anne Taller, Marilyn Waserman.

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Mazel Tov to Anna and Ronny Cantor on the birth of their grandson Samuel Ross Greenberg by Sandra, Eli and Aaron Hoffman.

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In memory of Peter Cobrin by Sandra, Eli and Aaron Hoffman.

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Wishing Murray Macy continued good health by Rose and Chick Taylor.

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Mazel Tov to Claude and Claude Arli on the birth of their grandson by Rose and Chick Taylor and family.

Mazel Tov to Sheldon and Corinne Taylor on the birth of their granddaughter by Rose and Chick Taylor.

Mazel Tov to Mrs. And Mrs. Andrew Taylor on the birth of their son by Rose and Chick Taylor.

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Best wishes to Ethel and Irving Taylor in their new home by Bev and Darryl Cantor; by Malach and Chuck Polowin; by Rick and Mary Saslove; and by Barry and Marcia Cantor.

In memory of Mary Klein's husband by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazel Tov to Roslyn and Arnie Kimmel on the marriage of their daughter Lisa to Adam by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

In memory of Sam Slack by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazel Tov to Dorothy and Ben Greenberg on their wedding anniversary by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Wishing Pauline Hochberg continued good health by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

In memory of Joe Hoffman by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazel Tov to Sheldon and Corinne Taylor on the birth of their grandson Ezra by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

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In memory of Hyman Mendelson by Ruth and Joe Vener. In memory of Harry Sigler by Ruth and Joe Vener.

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Mazel Tov to John and Gladys Greenberg on the birth of their granddaughter Daniella Eden Summer Springer by Rose and Chick Taylor.

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Mazel Tov to Miriam Weiner on her special birthday by Mary and Nathan Godfrey.

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Best wishes to Claire-Jeanne Wilner on her birthday by Donna Klarman and Jeffrey Fine and family.

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Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rose on their 55th wedding anniversary by Lynne Dreck-Wener, Bobby, Tanya, Eleni and Hart Wener.

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In memory of William "Bill" Grossman by Judie and Fred Ross and family.

In memory of Sylvia Aron by Judie and Fred Ross and family.

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Best wishes to Bluma Woolf on her special birthday by Roslyn and Gerry Snyder.

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Mazel Tov to Izzy Zelikovitz on his husband Joe Zelikovitz (of blessed memory) being inducted into the Ottawa Sports Hall of Fame by Mitchell Bellman and Nicola Hammer.

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In memory of Godcon Maser by Shelley and Gary Berezin and Jamie.

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Mazel Tov to Davine Finn on her Bat Mitzvah by the Igby family.

GABRIEL IBGHY MITZVAH FUND

In appreciation to Rabbi M. Zeit by Cheryl, Andie and Gabriel Igby.

In appreciation to Sid Weiss by Cheryl, Andie and Gabriel Igby.

Mazel Tov to Jonathan Benouail on his Bar Mitzvah by Gabriel Igby.

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Mazel Tov to Daniella Nashen on her Bat Mitzvah by Gabriel Igby.

In memory of Victoria Igby by Isabel and Norman Lesh.

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Mazel Tov to Erica Weinstein on her Bat Mitzvah by Mar-

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Mazel Tov to Carolyn Chemey on her Bat Mitzvah by Marshall Rothman.

Mazel Tov to Elissa Smith on her Bat Mitzvah by Marshall Rothman.

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JEWISH COMMUNITY CALENDAR (Continued from page 36)

MONDAY DECEMBER 3	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5	THURSDAY DECEMBER 6	FRIDAY DECEMBER 7	SATURDAY DECEMBER 8	SUNDAY DECEMBER 9
The Soloway Jewish Community Centre Friendship Club, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, noon. Hillel Academy PD Day, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:30 a.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences, Hillel Academy, 31 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:45 a.m.	JET, Living Judaism, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, noon. Rambam Maimonides Tea and Student Talent Show, Rambam Maimonides School, 2S Esquimalt, 12:30 p.m. The Book of Psalms for Men and Women, led by Shlomo Harary, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 6:15 p.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences, Hillel Academy, 31 Nadolny Sachs Private, 6:30 p.m.	SJCC Mitzvah Knitters, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:30 p.m. Henry "Hank" Toronto Cub Pack, Hillel Academy, 31 Nadolny Sachs Private, 6:30 p.m. Beth Shalom Portion of the Week Class for Men and Women, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:00 p.m. The Mirecle Begins Group of Narcotics Anonymous, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 8:00 p.m. JET, Learn to Learn Chumash, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:00 p.m.	JET, Pirkei Avot/Strive For Truth, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 9:00 a.m. YAD, Discussion with Israeli Ambassador and Mrs. Divon, 7:00 p.m. JET, Parshat Hashevuv (For Teens), The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 7:00 p.m. JET, The University Connection, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:00 p.m.	Hillel Academy PD Day, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:30 a.m. Growing Tree Drop-In Shabbat, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Colborne Avenue, 8:45 a.m.	"Hand In Hand with the Rebbe" - a Chassidic Melave Malka and farbrengen for children, songs, video, refreshments, sponsored by the Jewish Youth Library, 192 Switzer Avenue, 9:30 a.m.	Beth Shalom Youth Choir Rehearsals, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 9:30 a.m.
						JET, Basic Judaism, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 10:00 a.m.
						The Soloway Jewish Community Centre and JET, Chanukah Spirit, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:00 p.m.
						Jewish Mysticism with Rabbi Botnick, Jewish Youth Library, 192 Switzer Avenue, 10:15 a.m.
						A Touch of Klez, The Joseph and Inez Zelikovitz Long Term Care Centre, 10 Nadolny Sachs Private, 2:00 p.m.
						Shmuel Kardash In Cooperation with the Soloway Jewish Community Centre, Class in Jewish Mysticism - Open to all, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 4:30 p.m.
						Talmud Study Group for Men, Machzikel Hadas Congregation, 2310 Virginia Avenue, 8:30 p.m.



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JEWISH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27	WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2
 <p><i>The Centre of Your Life</i></p> <p>The Solway Jewish Community Centre Friendship Club, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, noon.</p> <p>The Greenberg Families Library, Music Appreciation Series, presented by Jean-Jacques Ven Vasselot, Tchakovsky and the Musical Diary, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>AJA50+ Line Dancing, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>The Solway Jewish Community Centre is co-sponsoring a roundtable conference given by Rabbi Dov Oppenheimer, MA LLB, Rabbi Dov Kahan on the topic of: Business Ethics and Jewish Law, Rabbi Reuven P. Bulka, PhD Moderator, The Joseph and Rose Ages Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 5:15 p.m. Dinner, 6:15 p.m. Conference.</p> <p>The Book of Psalms for Men and Women, led by Shlomo Harary, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>The Book of Ethics for Women, with Baylah Steinberg, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>Talmud Classes for Men with Rabbi Botnick, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>AJA50+ Current Events, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>JET, Living Judaism, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, noon.</p> <p>The Greenberg Families Library, Music Appreciation Series, presented by Jean-Jacques Ven Vasselot, Tchakovsky and the Musical Diary, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>The 4th Annual Ottawa Celebrity Sports Dinner, 5:30 p.m. reception and silent auction; 6:30 p.m. dinner and keynote speaker Walter Gretzky, Corel Centre.</p> <p>Henry "Henk" Toronto Cub Pack, Hillel Academy, 31 Nadolny Sachs Private, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Portion of the Week for Men and Women, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>AJA50+, Ethical Issues for Jews, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>The Miracle Begins Group of Narcotics Anonymous, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Greenberg Families Library Book Discussion: Paradise Park, by Allegria Goodman, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>SJCC Mitzvah Knitters, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>JET, Pirkel Avot/Strive for Truth, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>AJA50+ Jews in Music Mahler Sondheim, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>AJA50+ Drop-In-Bridge, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>AJA50+ Bereshit (Genesis), In the Beginning, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict in the new global context with Mark Rosenblum, Political Director, Americans for Peace Now, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>JET, Parshat Hashavua (for Teens), The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>JET, The University Connection, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>JET, Learn to Learn Chumash, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Growing Tree Drop-In Shabbat, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldey Avenue, 8:45 a.m.</p> <p>Spirituality Shabbaton, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 8:45 a.m. (Nov 30-Dec 2).</p>	 <p>CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 4:04 PM</p>	 <p>JET, Havdalah Service, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>"Hand in Hand with the Rebbe" • A Chassidic Melave Melka and farbreng for children, songs, video, refreshments, sponsored by the Jewish Youth Library, 192 Switzer Avenue, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>JET, Basic Judaism, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Jewish Mysticism with Rabbi Botnick, Jewish Youth Library, 192 Switzer Avenue, 10:15 a.m.</p> <p>Habonim D'orot Camp Gesher Information Session, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Shmuel Kardash in Cooperation with the Solway Jewish Community Centre, Class in Jewish Mysticism - Open to all, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 4:30 p.m.</p> <p>Talmud Study Group for Men, Machzikei Hadas Congregation, 2310 Virginia Avenue, 8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Young Women's Leadership Council, The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Youth Choir Rehearsals, Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 9:30 a.m.</p>

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